

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

CONSERVATION LAW FOUNDATION,  
INC.

Plaintiff,

V.

SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.;  
PROLERIZED NEW ENGLAND, LLC;  
METALS RECYCLING, L.L.C.; JOINT  
VENTURE OPERATIONS, INC.;  
PROLERIDE TRANSPORT SYSTEMS,  
INC.; and MAINE METAL RECYCLING,  
INC.,

## Defendants

Case No.

# COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND CIVIL PENALTIES

## INTRODUCTION

1. This action is a citizen suit brought under Section 505 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (“Clean Water Act” or “CWA,”), 33 U.S.C. § 1365(a), to address Clean Water Act violations at three scrap metal facilities: (1) Schnitzer Northeast – Attleboro, located at 136 Bacon Street in Attleboro, Massachusetts 02703 (the “Attleboro Facility”); (2) Schnitzer Northeast, located at 69 Rover Street in Everett, Massachusetts 02149 (the “Everett Facility”); and (3) Schnitzer Northeast, located at 20 Nipnapp Trail in Worcester, Massachusetts 01607 (the “Worcester Facility”) (collectively, the “Facilities”).

2. The Facilities are owned and operated by Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. and/or its subsidiaries Prolerized New England, LLC; Metals Recycling, L.L.C.; Joint Venture Operations, Inc.; Proleride Transport Systems, Inc.; Maine Metal Recycling, Inc., their agents, and directors (collectively, “Schnitzer” or “Defendants”). Schnitzer is discharging pollutants including heavy

metals from these three facilities into receiving waters that include the Blackstone River, the Mystic River, and Cranberry Pond. Schnitzer's discharges have been subject to the 2015 and 2021 Multi-Sector General Permits for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (the "2015 MSGP" and the "2021 MSGP," collectively, the "MSGPs"). Schnitzer has discharged and continues to discharge stormwater associated with its industrial activities into waters of the United States in violation of the MSGPs by: (1) failing to take required corrective actions; (2) failing to follow required procedures for minimizing pollutant discharges; (3) contributing to the receiving waters' failure to meet water quality standards and their impairments; and (4) failing to comply with monitoring and reporting requirements.

3. Conservation Law Foundation ("CLF") seeks declaratory judgment, injunctive relief, and other relief with respect to the Facilities' violations of the MSGPs, Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a), and applicable regulations.

### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

4. Plaintiff brings this civil suit under the citizen suit provision of Section 505 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365.

5. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the parties and this action pursuant to Section 505(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365(a)(1); 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (an action arising under the Constitution and laws of the United States); and 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 (declaratory judgment).

6. On December 20, 2021, Plaintiff notified Schnitzer and its agents of its intention to file suit for violations of the Clean Water Act, in compliance with the statutory notice requirements of Section 505(b)(1)(A) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365(b)(1)(A), and the corresponding regulations located at 40 C.F.R. § 135.2. A true and accurate copy of Plaintiff's

Notice Letter (“Notice Letter”) is appended as Exhibit 1. The Notice Letter is incorporated by reference herein.

7. Each Defendant received the Notice Letter. A copy of each return receipt is attached as Exhibit 2.

8. Plaintiff also sent copies of the Notice Letter to the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”), the Acting Regional Administrator of EPA Region 1, the Citizen Suit Coordinator, and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (“MassDEP”).

9. Each of the addressees identified in the preceding paragraph received the Notice Letter. A copy of each return receipt is attached as Exhibit 3.

10. More than sixty days have elapsed since Plaintiff mailed its Notice Letter, during which time neither EPA nor the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has commenced an action to redress the violations alleged in this Complaint. 33 U.S.C. § 1365(b)(1)(B).

11. The Clean Water Act violations alleged in the Notice Letter are of a continuing nature, ongoing, or reasonably likely to re-occur. The Defendants remain in violation of the Clean Water Act.

12. Venue is proper in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts pursuant to Section 505(c)(1) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365(c)(1), because the sources of the violations are located within this judicial district.

### **PARTIES**

#### **Plaintiff**

13. Plaintiff, Conservation Law Foundation (“CLF”), is a nonprofit, member-supported, regional environmental advocacy organization dedicated to protecting New England’s environment.

14. CLF has a long history of working to protect the health of New England's water resources, including addressing sources of industrial stormwater pollution.

15. CLF has over 6,300 members, including over 3,400 members in Massachusetts. CLF's members use and enjoy the waters of Massachusetts, including the Blackstone River, the Seekonk River, and the Mystic River, for recreational and aesthetic purposes, including but not limited to boating, swimming, fishing, and observing wildlife.

16. CLF's members include individuals who live and spend time near the Blackstone, the Seekonk, and the Mystic Rivers. CLF's members have used and enjoyed the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers downstream from Defendants' facilities for recreational purposes, including rowing, kayaking, and observing wildlife; as well as for aesthetic purposes.

17. CLF's members include individuals who have been and continue to be directly and adversely affected by the degradation of water quality in the Blackstone, Seekonk, and the Mystic Rivers.

18. CLF's members are harmed by stormwater discharge of aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, total suspended solids, and other pollutants to the Blackstone and Mystic Rivers from Defendants' facilities. Schnitzer's stormwater discharges impair the recreational and aesthetic uses of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers by harming fish and other aquatic life, contributing to unpleasant scum, foam, and/or odor, increasing toxic pollution, and reducing the enjoyment of CLF's members.

#### Defendants

19. Defendant Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. ("Schnitzer Steel") is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Oregon.

20. Defendant Schnitzer Steel is the parent company of Prolerized New England, LLC

(“Prolerized”); Metals Recycling, L.L.C. (“Metals Recycling”); Joint Venture Operations, Inc. (“Joint Venture”); Proleride Transport Systems, Inc. (“Proleride”); and Maine Metal Recycling, Inc. (“Maine Metal”).

21. Defendant Schnitzer Steel has control over its subsidiaries Prolerized, Metals Recycling, Joint Venture, Proleride, and Maine Metal.

22. Defendant Schnitzer Steel is liable for the Clean Water Act violations of Prolerized, Metals Recycling, Joint Venture, Proleride, and Maine Metal.

23. Prolerized is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Delaware.

24. Metals Recycling is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Rhode Island.

25. Joint Venture is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Delaware.

26. Proleride is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Delaware.

27. Maine Metal is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Maine.

28. Schnitzer Steel, its subsidiary Prolerized, and Prolerized’s managers (Joint Venture, Proleride, and Maine Metal) own and/or operate the Attleboro Facility and have owned and/or operated it since at least 2016.

29. Schnitzer Steel, its subsidiary Prolerized, and Prolerized’s managers (Joint Venture, Proleride, and Maine Metal) own and/or operate the Everett Facility and have owned and/or operated it since at least 2016.

30. Schnitzer Steel, its subsidiary Metals Recycling, and Metals Recycling’s manager (Joint Venture) own and/or operate the Worcester Facility and have owned and/or operated it since at least 2016.

31. Schnitzer Steel is responsible for ensuring that the Facilities operate in compliance with the Clean Water Act.

32. Prolerized is responsible for ensuring that the Attleboro and Everett Facilities operate in compliance with the Clean Water Act.

33. Joint Venture, Proleride, and Maine Metal are responsible for ensuring that the Attleboro and Everett Facilities operate in compliance with the Clean Water Act.

34. Metals Recycling and Joint Venture are responsible for ensuring that the Worcester Facility operates in compliance with the Clean Water Act.

35. Defendants Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.; Prolerized New England, LLC; Metals Recycling, L.L.C.; Joint Venture Operations, Inc.; Proleride Transport Systems, Inc.; and Maine Metal Recycling, Inc. are all persons as defined by Section 502(5) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1362(5).

### **STATUTORY AND REGULATORY BACKGROUND**

#### **The Clean Water Act and the MSGP**

36. The objective of the Clean Water Act is “to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the Nation’s waters.” 33 U.S.C. § 1251(a) (1972).

37. The Clean Water Act prohibits the addition of any pollutant to navigable waters from any point source except as authorized by a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“NPDES”) permit applicable to that point source. 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1342.

38. Under the Clean Water Act’s implementing regulations, the “discharge of a pollutant” is defined as “[a]ny addition of any ‘pollutant’ or combination of pollutants to ‘waters of the United States’ from any ‘point source.’” 40 C.F.R. § 122.2. *See also* 33 U.S.C. § 1362(12).

39. A “pollutant” is any “solid waste,” “chemical wastes, biological materials,” “wrecked or discarded equipment, rock, sand,” and “industrial . . . waste” discharged into water. 33 U.S.C. § 1362(6).

40. The Clean Water Act defines navigable waters as “the waters of the United States, including the territorial seas.” 33 U.S.C. § 1362(7). “Waters of the United States” are defined by EPA regulations to include, *inter alia*, all tributaries to interstate waters. See 40 C.F.R. § 122.2.

41. “Point source” is defined broadly to include, “any discernible, confined and discrete conveyance, including but not limited to any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, [or] conduit . . . from which pollutants are or may be discharged.” 33 U.S.C. § 1362(14).

42. Section 402 of the CWA requires that NPDES permits be issued for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activities. 33 U.S.C. §§ 1342(a)(1), 1342(p)(2), 1342(p)(3)(A), 1342(p)(4), 1342(p)(6).

43. In establishing the regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 122.26, EPA cited abundant data showing the harmful effects of stormwater runoff on rivers, streams, and coastal areas across the nation. In particular, EPA found that runoff from industrial facilities contained elevated pollution levels. 55 Fed. Reg. 47990, 47991 (Nov. 16, 1990).

44. In September 1995, EPA issued a NPDES Storm Water Multi-Sector General Permit for Industrial Activities. EPA re-issued the MSGP on October 30, 2000, 65 Fed. Reg. 64746; on September 29, 2008, 73 Fed. Reg. 56572; on June 4, 2015 (the “2015 MSGP”), 80 Fed. Reg. 34403; and on September 29, 2021 (the “2021 MSGP”), 86 Fed. Reg. 10269.

45. The MSGP is issued by EPA pursuant to Sections 402(a) and 402(p) of the CWA and regulates stormwater discharges from industrial facilities. 33 U.S.C. §§ 1342(a), 1342(p).

46. In order to discharge stormwater lawfully, industrial dischargers must obtain coverage under the MSGP and comply with its terms.

47. Industrial dischargers must develop and implement a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (“SWPPP”) that identifies sources of pollutants associated with industrial discharges from

the facility and identifies effective best management practices to control pollutants in stormwater discharges in a manner that achieves the substantive requirements of the permit.

48. The MSGPs incorporate state water quality standards for all affected states. 2015 MSGP § 2.2.1 at 20; 2021 MSGP § 2.2.1 at 25.

49. The MSGPs require permittees to control stormwater discharges and to modify their control measures “as necessary to meet applicable water quality standards of all affected states.” 2015 MSGP §§ 2.1 at 14, 2.2.1 at 20; 2021 MSGP § 2.2.1 at 25.

Massachusetts’ Surface Water Quality Regulations

50. Massachusetts’ state surface water quality standards address deposits, floating matter, odor, color, taste, turbidity, and undesirable or nuisance species of aquatic life. 314 MASS. CODE REGS. 4.05(5)(a) (2021).

51. Massachusetts’ state surface water quality standards require that all surface waters “shall be free from pollutants in concentrations or combinations that are toxic to humans, aquatic life or wildlife.” *Id.* at (5)(e).

52. Massachusetts’ state surface water quality standards require that Class B waters shall be free from floating, suspended and settleable solids in concentrations and combinations that would impair any use assigned to this Class, that would cause aesthetically objectionable conditions, or that would impair the benthic biota or degrade the chemical composition of the bottom.

314 MASS. CODE REGS. 4.05(3)(b)(5).

53. Massachusetts’ state surface water quality standards require that Class B waters “shall be free from color and turbidity in concentrations or combinations that are aesthetically objectionable or would impair any use assigned to this Class.” *Id.* at (3)(b)(6).

54. Massachusetts’ state surface water quality standards include oil and grease standards for Class B waters. *Id.* at (3)(b)(7).



55. Massachusetts’ state surface water quality standards require that Class B waters shall contain no taste and odor “in such concentrations or combinations that are aesthetically objectionable, that would impair any use assigned to this Class, or that would cause tainting or undesirable flavors in the edible portions of aquatic life.” *Id.* at (3)(b)(8).

Rhode Island’s Surface Water Quality Regulations

56. Rhode Island’s state surface water quality standards address the composition, integrity, propagation, life cycle functions, uses, processes, and activities of fish and wildlife, as well as human health. 250-RICR-150-05-1.10.B.1.

57. Rhode Island’s state surface water quality standards address deposits, floating material, oil and grease, odor, taste, and color. *Id.* at 1.10.B.2

58. Rhode Island’s state surface water quality standards pertaining to Class B1 and SB1 waters prohibit any sludge deposits, solids, oil, grease, and scum; prohibit color, turbidity, taste, and odor in concentrations that would impair any assigned uses; and prohibit chemical constituents in concentrations or combinations that could be harmful to humans, fish, or wildlife or impair the water for any other uses. *Id.* at 1.10.D.1; *id.* at 1.10.E.1.

Citizen Enforcement Suits Under the Clean Water Act

59. The Clean Water Act authorizes citizen enforcement actions against any “person” who is alleged to be in violation of an “effluent standard or limitation . . . or an order issued by the Administrator or a State with respect to such a standard or limitation.” 33 U.S.C. § 1365(a)(1).

60. An “effluent limitation” is “any restriction established by a State or the Administrator on quantities, rates, and concentrations of chemical, physical, biological, and other constituents which are discharged from point sources into navigable waters, the waters of the contiguous zone, or the ocean, including schedules of compliance.” *See id.* 1362(11).

61. Such enforcement action under Section 505(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act includes an

action seeking remedies for unauthorized discharges under Section 301 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311, as well as for violations of a permit condition under Section 505(f), 33 U.S.C. § 1365(f).

62. Each separate violation of the Clean Water Act subjects the violator to a penalty of up to the maximum amount allowed pursuant to Sections 309(d) and 505(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1319(d), 1365(a). *See also* 40 C.F.R. §§ 19.1–19.4.

### **FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

#### **The Facilities’ MSGPs**

63. The Facilities discharge stormwater associated with industrial activity.

64. Schnitzer’s activities at the Facilities include activities which are classified by the MSGPs as subsector N1: Scrap Recycling and Waste Recycling Facilities. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.6 at 129; 2021 MSGP § 8.N.6 at 163.

65. Schnitzer’s activities at the Facilities include the receiving, processing, and distribution of non-source separated, nonliquid recyclable wastes, including ferrous and nonferrous metals per § 8.N.3.1 of the MSGPs. 2015 MSGP at 125; 2021 MSGP at 158.

66. Schnitzer was required to comply with the requirements of the 2015 MSGP from at least January 1, 2016 until July 1, 2021.

67. Schnitzer submitted its Notice of Intent for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity Under the [2021] NPDES Multi-Sector General Permit for the Facilities on May 28, 2021.

68. Schnitzer is required to comply with the requirements of the 2021 MSGP and has been required to comply with the requirements of the 2021 MSGP since July 1, 2021.

#### *Schnitzer’s Pollutant Control Requirements Under the MSGP*

69. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “select, design, install, and implement control measures

(including best management practices) to minimize pollutant discharges [and] that address the selection and design considerations in Part 2.1.1, meet the non-numeric effluent limits in Part 2.1.2, . . . and meet the water quality-based effluent limitations in Part 2.2.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1 at 14; 2021 MSGP § 2.1 at 18.

70. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “minimize the exposure of manufacturing, processing, and material storage areas (including loading and unloading, storage, disposal, cleaning, maintenance, and fueling operations) to rain, snow, snowmelt and runoff by either locating these industrial materials and activities inside or protecting them with storm resistant coverings.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.1 at 15; 2021 MSGP § 2.1.2.1 at 20.

71. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “keep clean all exposed areas that are potential sources of pollutants” and “perform good housekeeping measures in order to minimize pollutant discharges.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.2 at 15-16; 2021 MSGP 2.1.2.2 at 20-21.

72. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “[s]weep or vacuum at regular intervals or, alternatively, wash down the area and collect and/or treat, and properly dispose of the washdown water.” *Id.*

73. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “[m]inimize the potential for waste, garbage and floatable debris to be discharged by keeping exposed areas free of such materials, or by intercepting them before they are discharged.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.2 at 16; 2021 MSGP 2.1.2.2 at 21.

74. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “maintain all control measures that are used to achieve the effluent limits in this permit in effective operating condition, as well as all industrial equipment and systems, in order to minimize pollutant discharges.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.3 at 16-17; 2021 MSGP 2.1.2.3 at 21-22.

75. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “perform[] inspections and preventative maintenance of

stormwater drainage, source controls, treatment systems, and plant equipment and systems that could fail and result in discharges of pollutants via stormwater.” *Id.*

76. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “clean[] catch basins when the depth of debris reaches two-thirds (2/3) of the sump depth . . . and keep[] the debris surface at least six inches below the lowest outlet pipe.” *Id.*

77. The MSGPs require that if Schnitzer “find[s] that [its] control measures need routine maintenance, [it] must conduct the necessary maintenance immediately in order to minimize pollutant discharges.” *Id.* If Schnitzer “find[s] that [its] control measures need to be repaired or replaced, [it] must immediately take all reasonable steps to prevent or minimize the discharge of pollutants until the final repair or replacement is implemented.” *Id.*

78. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “minimize the potential for leaks, spills, and other releases that may be exposed to stormwater and develop plans for effective response to such spills if or when they occur in order to minimize pollutant discharges. [It] must conduct spill prevention and response measures” including measures listed in § 2.1.2.4 of the MSGPs. 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.4 at 17; 2021 MSGP 2.1.2.4 at 22-23.

79. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to minimize erosion and discharge of sediment. 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.5 at 17-18; 2021 MSGP 2.1.2.5 at 23.

80. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “divert, infiltrate, reuse, contain, or otherwise reduce stormwater runoff to minimize pollutants in [its] discharges.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.6 at 18; 2021 MSGP 2.1.2.6 at 23.

81. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “evaluate for the presence of non-stormwater discharges. . . If not covered under a separate NPDES permit, wastewater, wash water and any other unauthorized non-stormwater must be discharged to a sanitary sewer in accordance with

applicable industrial pretreatment requirements, or otherwise disposed of appropriately.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.9 at 19; 2021 § 2.1.2.9 at 24.

82. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “minimize generation of dust and off-site tracking of raw, final, or waste materials in order to minimize pollutants discharged via stormwater.” 2015 MSGP § 2.1.2.10 at 19; 2021 MSGP 2.1.2.10 at 24.

83. Schnitzer is required to conduct routine facility inspections “of areas of the facility covered by the requirements in the [MSGPs]” at least quarterly. 2015 MSGP § 3.1 at 22-24; 2021 MSGP § 3.1 at 27-29.

84. The MSGPs require that “[d]uring an inspection occurring during a stormwater event or discharge, control measures implemented to comply with effluent limits must be observed to ensure they are functioning correctly.” *Id.*

*Schnitzer’s Sector-Specific Pollutant Control Requirements Under the MSGPs*

85. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to minimize the chance of accepting materials that could be significant sources of pollutants by conducting inspections of inbound recyclables and waste materials and through implementation of control measures. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.1 at 125; 2021 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.1 at 158.

86. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to minimize contact of stormwater and/or stormwater runoff with stockpiled materials, processed materials, and nonrecyclable wastes through implementation of control measures. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.2 at 126; 2021 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.2 at 159.

87. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to minimize contact of stormwater and/or surface runoff with residual cutting fluids by storing all turnings exposed to cutting fluids under some form of permanent or semi-permanent cover or establishing dedicated containment areas for all turnings

that have been exposed to cutting fluids. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.3 at 126; 2021 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.3 at 159.

88. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to minimize contact of residual liquids and particulate matter from materials stored indoors or under cover with stormwater and/or surface runoff through implementation of control measures. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.4 at 126; 2021 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.4 at 159.

89. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to minimize the contact of stormwater and/or surface runoff with scrap processing equipment and minimize the contact of accumulated particulate matter and residual fluids with stormwater and/or runoff. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.5 at 126; 2021 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.5 at 159.

90. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to “minimize the discharge of pollutants in stormwater from lead-acid batteries, properly handle, store, and dispose of scrap lead-acid batteries, and implement control measures.” 2015 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.6 at 127; 2021 MSGP § 8.N.3.1.6 at 160.

*Schnitzer’s Monitoring and Reporting Requirements Under the MSGPs:*

91. The MSGPs require Schnitzer “to collect and analyze stormwater samples” during “a storm event that results in an actual discharge from [the] site” “at least once in each of the following 3-month intervals: January 1—March 31; April 1—June 30; July 1—September 30; October 1—December 31.” 2015 MSGP § 6, 6.1.3, 6.1.7 at 39-40; 2021 MSGP § 4, 4.1.3, 4.1.7 at 31-33.

92. Schnitzer is required to conduct quarterly benchmark monitoring for aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, chemical oxygen demand (“COD”), and total suspended solids (“TSS”). 2015 MSGP § 6.2 at 40-41, § 8.N.6 at 129-130; 2021 MSGP § 4.2 at 33-35, § 8.N.7 at 163-164.

93. “When adverse weather conditions [such as flooding, high winds, electrical storms, or

extended frozen conditions] prevent the collection of stormwater discharge samples according to the relevant [benchmark or impaired waters] monitoring schedule, [Schnitzer] must take a substitute sample during the next qualifying storm event.” 2015 MSGP § 6.1.5 at 39-40; 2021 MSGP § 4.1.5 at 33.

94. Once each quarter for the entire MSGP term, Schnitzer must collect a stormwater sample from each outfall and conduct a visual assessment of each of these samples. 2015 MSGP § 3.2.1 at 24; 2021 MSGP § 3.2.1 at 29. Schnitzer “must visually inspect or observe the sample for the following water quality characteristics: color; odor; clarity (diminished); floating solids; settled solids; suspended solids; foam; oil sheen; and other obvious indicators of stormwater pollution.” *Id.*; 2021 MSGP § 3.2.2.4 at 29-30.

95. “When adverse weather conditions prevent the collection of stormwater discharge sample(s) during the quarter [for visual assessment], Schnitzer must take a substitute sample during the next qualifying storm event. Documentation of the rationale for no visual assessment for the quarter must be included with [Schnitzer’s] SWPPP records.” 2015 MSGP § 3.2.3 at 25; 2021 MSGP § 3.2.4.1 at 30.

96. The Facilities are “considered to discharge to an impaired water if the first water of the U.S. to which [it] discharges is identified by a state, tribe, or EPA pursuant to section 303(d) of the CWA as not meeting an applicable water quality standard . . .” 2015 MSGP § 6.2.4 at 45; 2021 MSGP § 4.2.5 at 42.

97. The 2015 MSGP requires Schnitzer to “monitor all pollutants for which the waterbody is impaired and for which a standard analytical method exists . . . once per year at each outfall (except substantially identical outfalls) discharging stormwater to impaired waters without an EPA-approved or established TMDL [Total Maximum Daily Load]. The MSGPs identify such

monitoring as “impaired waters monitoring.” 2015 MSGP § 6.2.4.1 at 45.

98. The 2021 MSGP requires Schnitzer to conduct impaired waters monitoring “annually in the first year of permit coverages and again in the fourth year of permit coverage. . . unless [it] detect[s] a pollutant causing an impairment, in which case annual monitoring must continue.” 2021 MSGP § 4.2.5.1 at 42.

99. Schnitzer is required to conduct impaired waters monitoring for its discharges from the Attleboro Facility for cadmium, fecal coliform, enterococci, lead, mercury, dissolved oxygen, and polychlorinated biphenyls (“PCBs”).

100. Schnitzer is required to conduct impaired waters monitoring for its discharges from the Everett Facility for aluminum, arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, fecal coliform, foaming agents, iron, lead, nickel, nitrogen, odor, oil/petroleum, dissolved oxygen, PCBs, and zinc.

101. Schnitzer is required to conduct impaired waters monitoring for its discharges from the Worcester Facility for E. coli, lead, dissolved oxygen, phosphorus, TSS, and turbidity.

102. Schnitzer is required to report its monitoring data to EPA using EPA’s electronic NetDMR tool. 2015 MSGP § 6.1.9 at 40; 2021 MSGP § 4.1.9 at 33.

*Schnitzer’s Required Corrective Action and Additional Implementation Measures Under the MSGPs*

103. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to take corrective action or Additional Implementation Measures (“AIM”) when the following triggering events occur: 1) “the average of four quarterly sampling results exceeds an applicable benchmark” or if less than four benchmark samples have been taken, “an exceedance of the four quarter average is mathematically certain (i.e., if the sum of quarterly sample results to date is more than four times the benchmark level),” 2015 MSGP at 27; 2021 MSGP at 39; 2) Schnitzer’s control measures are not stringent enough for the discharge and/or the receiving water of the United States to meet applicable water quality standards or the



non-numeric effluent limits in the MSGPs, 2015 MSGP at 27; 2021 MSGP at 45; 3) whenever a visual assessment shows evidence of stormwater pollution (e.g., color, odor, floating solids, settled solids, suspended solids, foam), *id.*; or 4) a required control measure was never installed, was installed incorrectly, or not in accordance with the MSGPs, or is not being properly operated or maintained, *id.*.

104. The MSGPs include sector-specific benchmarks for Sector N facilities like Schnitzer. 2015 MSGP § 8.N at 125-130; 2021 MSGP § 8.N at 158-164.

105. The benchmark values in the 2015 MSGP applicable to Schnitzer and not dependent on water hardness are: 0.75 milligrams per liter for aluminum; 1.0 milligrams per liter for iron; 120 milligrams per liter for COD; and 100 milligrams per liter for TSS. 2015 MSGP at 129-130.

106. The benchmark values in the 2021 MSGP applicable to Schnitzer and not dependent on water hardness are: 1.1 milligrams per liter for aluminum; 5.19 micrograms per liter for copper (freshwater receiving water) or 4.8 micrograms per liter for copper (saltwater receiving water); 120 milligrams per liter for COD; and 100 micrograms per liter for TSS. 2021 MSGP at 163-4.

107. The hardness of the receiving water for the Attleboro Facility is 37.5 milligrams per liter.

108. The water-hardness dependent benchmark values in the 2015 MSGP applicable to the Attleboro Facility are: 0.0056 milligrams per liter for copper; 0.023 milligrams per liter for lead; and 0.05 milligrams per liter for zinc. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.6 at 129-130.

109. The water-hardness dependent benchmark values in the 2021 MSGP applicable to the Attleboro Facility are: 24 micrograms per liter for lead; and 52 micrograms per liter for zinc. 2021 MSGP § 8.N.7 at 163-4. <sup>1</sup>

110. The benchmark values for copper, lead, and zinc in the 2015 MSGP applicable to the

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<sup>1</sup> The benchmark value units of measurement for certain pollutant criteria change from milligrams per liter in the 2015 MSGP to micrograms per liter in the 2021 MSGP.

Everett Facility are: 0.0048 milligrams per liter for copper; 0.21 milligrams per liter for lead; and 0.09 milligrams per liter for zinc. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.6 at 129-130.

111. The benchmark values for lead and zinc in the 2021 MSGP applicable to the Everett Facility are: 210 micrograms per liter for lead; and 90 micrograms per liter for zinc. 2021 MSGP § 8.N.7 at 163-4.

112. The hardness for the receiving water for the Worcester Facility is 87.5 milligrams per liter.

113. The water-hardness dependent benchmark values in the 2015 MSGP applicable to the Worcester Facility are: 0.0123 milligrams per liter for copper; 0.069 milligrams per liter for lead; and 0.11 milligrams per liter for zinc. 2015 MSGP § 8.N.6 at 129-130.

114. The water-hardness dependent benchmark values in the 2021 MSGP applicable to the Worcester Facility are: 69 micrograms per liter for lead; and 107 micrograms per liter for zinc. 2021 MSGP § 8.N.7 at 163-4.

115. Following a triggering event, Schnitzer is required to: 1) review and revise its SWPPP so that the MSGPs' effluent limits are met and pollutant discharges are minimized; 2) immediately take all reasonable steps necessary to minimize or prevent the discharge of pollutants until a permanent solution is installed and made operational; and 3) if necessary, "complete the corrective actions. . . before the next storm event if possible, and within 14 calendar days from the time of discovery of the corrective action condition." 2015 MSGP §§ 4.1 at 27, 4.3.1 at 28, 4.3.2 at 28; 2021 MSGP §§ 5.1.1 § 45, 5.1.3.1 at 46, 5.1.3.2 at 46.

*Schnitzer's State Water Quality Standards Requirements*

116. Under the MSGPs, Schnitzer is required to control its stormwater discharges "as necessary to meet applicable water quality standards of all affected states." 2015 MSGP § 2.2.1

at 20; 2021 MSGP § 2.2.1 at 25.

117. Schnitzer's discharge must not cause or contribute to an exceedance of applicable water quality standards in any affected state. 2015 MSGP § 2.2.1 at 20.

118. The MSGPs require that if at any time Schnitzer becomes aware that its discharge does not meet applicable water quality standards or its stormwater discharge will not be controlled as necessary such that the receiving water of the United States will not meet an applicable water quality standard, Schnitzer must take corrective action(s) and document the corrective actions. 2015 MSGP § 2.2.1 at 20; 2021 MSGP § 2.2.1 at 25.

119. If Schnitzer finds that its control measures are not achieving their intended effect of minimizing pollutant discharges to meet applicable water standards or any of the other non-numeric effluent limits in the MSGP, Schnitzer must modify these control measures per the corrective action requirements. 2015 MSGP § 2.1 at 14; 2021 MSGP § 2.1 at 18.

The Facilities and Their Operations and Discharges

120. Defendants Schnitzer Steel, Prolerized, Joint Venture, Proleride, and Maine Metal have operated and continue to operate a scrap metal facility at 136 Bacon Street in Attleboro, Massachusetts 02703 (the "Attleboro Facility").

121. Defendants Schnitzer Steel, Prolerized, Joint Venture, Proleride, and Maine Metal have operated and continue to operate a scrap metal facility at 69 Rover Street in Everett, Massachusetts 02149 (the "Everett Facility").

122. Defendants Schnitzer Steel, Metals Recycling, and Joint Venture have operated and continue to operate a scrap metal facility at 20 Nipnapp Trail in Worcester, Massachusetts 01607 (the "Worcester Facility").

123. Schnitzer collects and/or processes raw scrap metal, including salvaged vehicles, rail cars, household scrap and appliances, industrial machinery, manufacturing scrap, and

construction and demolition scrap at the Facilities.

124. Schnitzer receives unprocessed scrap metal at the Facilities, which it stores in uncovered piles on-site that are exposed to precipitation and snowmelt.

125. Schnitzer's processing activities include crushing, torching, shearing, shredding, separating, sorting, and/or baling of scrap metal.

126. Most of Schnitzer's scrap processing operations are conducted outdoors.

127. Processed metal is stored at the Facilities in uncovered bales that are exposed to precipitation and snowmelt.

128. The Facilities store petroleum hydrocarbons onsite, including bulk fuel storage in aboveground storage tanks that are exposed to precipitation and snowmelt.

129. The Facilities' handling and/or storage of oil, grease, petroleum hydrocarbons, and/or fuel have resulted in spills, leaks, and/or slicks at the Facilities.

130. Upon information and belief, spills, leaks, and/or slicks of oil, grease, petroleum hydrocarbons, and/or fuel at the Facilities have been exposed to precipitation and snowmelt.

131. Schnitzer uses a crane to transfer processed and/or unprocessed scrap metal from a ship to the Everett Facility. As the crane loads and/or unloads scrap metal, dust is generated which directly enters the Mystic River and is discharged from the Everett Facility in stormwater.

132. Processed and unprocessed scrap metal, end-of-life vehicles, machinery, equipment, oil, fuel, and chemical storage tanks, batteries, and vehicles are exposed to precipitation and snowmelt at the Facilities.

133. Precipitation and snowmelt at the Facilities become contaminated with heavy metals, dust and solids, organic contaminants including fuel and oil, trash, and other pollutants associated with the Facilities' operations.

134. The sources of pollutants associated with industrial operations at the Facilities include: unprocessed scrap metal including end-of-life vehicles, appliances, machinery, and other scrap; bales of processed scrap metal; machines and equipment left outdoors; and vehicles driving on and off the Facilities.

135. Pollutants associated with industrial operations at the Facilities include, but are not limited to: heavy metals, suspended solids, debris, solvents, dust, low density waste (floatables), oil, fuel, trash, and other pollutants associated with the Facilities' operations.

136. During every measurable precipitation event and every instance of snowmelt, water flows onto and over exposed materials and accumulated pollutants at the Facilities, generating stormwater runoff.

137. EPA considers precipitation above 0.1 inches during a 24-hour period a measurable precipitation event. 40 C.F.R. § 122.26(c)(i)(E)(6).

138. Upon information and belief, a measurable precipitation event is sufficient to generate runoff from the Facility.

139. Stormwater runoff from the Facilities is collected, channeled, and conveyed via site grading, slopes, site infrastructure, the operation of gravity, and other conveyances into waters of the United States.

140. Schnitzer has discharged and continues to discharge stormwater associated with industrial activities from the Facilities into waters of the United States.

141. The Attleboro Facility has a SWPPP originally prepared in June 2003 and most recently updated in March 2021. The Attleboro Facility's SWPPP has not been modified in response to conditions requiring SWPPP review and revision, per § 4.1 of the 2015 MSGP and § 5.1.1 of the 2021 MSGP, since at least December 2016.

142. The Everett Facility has a SWPPP that was most recently updated in May 2021. Upon information and belief, the Everett Facility's SWPPP has not been modified in response to conditions requiring SWPPP review and revision, per § 4.1 of the 2015 MSGP and § 5.1.1 of the 2021 MSGP, since at least December 2016.

143. The Worcester Facility has a SWPPP originally prepared in January 2009 and most recently updated in April 2021. The Worcester Facility's SWPPP has not been modified in response to conditions requiring SWPPP review and revision, per § 4.1 of the 2015 MSGP and § 5.1.1 of the 2021 MSGP, since at least December 2016.

144. Schnitzer's operations cause the discharge of pollutants – including but not limited to aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, COD, and TSS – from the Facilities.

145. At the Attleboro Facility, Schnitzer discharges pollutants – including but not limited to aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, COD, and TSS – from two outfalls: the Lower Main Yard outfall ("LMY") and the Maintenance Yard outfall ("MY1").

146. At the Attleboro Facility, stormwater from the Upper Main Yard area of the facility is collected and piped to the Lower Main Yard area. Schnitzer ultimately discharges effluent from the Upper and Lower Main Yards to the Blackstone River via a drainage ditch.

147. At the Attleboro Facility, the Maintenance Yard outfall discharges to Cranberry Pond.

148. The Attleboro Facility previously discharged pollutants from a third Turner Street Yard outfall ("TSY"). The Turner Street Yard outfall was removed in April 2019.

149. At the Everett Facility, Schnitzer discharges pollutants – including but not limited to aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, COD, and TSS – from Outfall 001 to the Mystic River.

150. The Everett Facility previously discharged pollutants through Outfall 002, but it has been sealed with a permanent concrete plug and is no longer used.

151. At the Worcester Facility, Schnitzer discharges pollutants – including but not limited to aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, COD, and TSS – to the Blackstone River at Outfall 001 via a subsurface drainage pipe system.

152. Upon information and belief, the Worcester Facility discharges pollutants to the Blackstone River from Outfall 002.

153. At the Worcester Facility, stormwater from the lower portion of the facility site, including the scrap yard, is discharged through Outfall 001. Stormwater from the upper portion of the site, which includes the office, the truck scale, and scrap dumpsters, is discharged through Outfall 002.

The Waterbodies Affected by the Facilities' Discharges

*The Blackstone and Seekonk Rivers*

154. The Attleboro Facility discharges pollutants into the Blackstone River at waterbody segment RI0001003R-01B in Rhode Island.

155. Waterbody segment RI0001003R-01B segment was listed as impaired on the 2020 303(d) list for all its designated uses, including impairment to fish and wildlife habitat from metals including iron and lead, as well as from cadmium, mercury, PCBs, enterococcus, and fecal coliform.

156. Waterbody segment RI0001003R-01B was listed as impaired for dissolved oxygen beginning in 1996 and for phosphorus beginning in 2008.

157. Waterbody segment RI0001003R-01B was removed from the impaired waters lists for dissolved oxygen and phosphorus in the 2018-2020 Delisting Document published by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (“RIDEM”) in January 2021.

158. The sources of impairment for waterbody segment RI0001003R-01B include urban runoff.

159. In 2013, RIDEM prepared a Total Maximum Daily Load (“TMDL”) Analysis for the Blackstone River addressing the cadmium and lead impairments for waterbody segment RI0001003R-01B.

160. The Blackstone River becomes the Seekonk River, waterbody segment RI0007019E-01, at Pawtucket Falls 1.3 miles downstream from the Attleboro Facility. Waterbody segment RI0007019E-01 is listed as impaired on the 2020 303(d) list for fish and wildlife habitat and primary and secondary contact recreation.

161. The Worcester Facility discharges pollutants into the Blackstone River at waterbody segment MA51-03.

162. Waterbody segment MA51-03 was listed as impaired on the 2016 303(d) list for aesthetic use, primary contact recreation, and secondary contact recreation due to debris, odor, oil and grease, scum/foam, trash, turbidity, algae, flocculant masses, phosphorus, dissolved oxygen, lead, non-native aquatic plants, eutrophication, physical substrate habitat alternations, sedimentation/siltation, E. coli, curly-leaf pondweed, fish bioassessments, and flow regime modification.

163. Waterbody segment MA51-03 is impaired for fish, other aquatic life, and wildlife from chronic aquatic toxicity, dissolved oxygen, fish bioassessments, lead, eutrophication indicators, and sedimentation/siltation.

164. The sources of impairment for waterbody segment MA51-03 include unspecified urban stormwater and wet weather discharges (including stormwater discharges).

165. In 2000, MassDEP prepared a Draft Pathogen TMDL for the Blackstone River Watershed, including waterbody segment MA51-03.

166. The Blackstone River in Massachusetts is a Class B waterbody.



- 167. The Blackstone River in Rhode Island is a Class B1 waterbody.
- 168. The Seekonk River is a Class SB1 waterbody.
- 169. The Blackstone River is a navigable water within the meaning of the Clean Water Act.
- 170. The Blackstone and Seekonk Rivers' designated uses include habitat for fish, other aquatic life, and wildlife, and primary and secondary contact recreation.
- 171. The Blackstone and Seekonk Rivers have are used for boating, hiking, observing wildlife, and a variety of other aesthetic and recreational uses.

*Cranberry Pond*

- 172. The Attleboro Facility discharges pollutants to Cranberry Pond in Attleboro, Massachusetts.
- 173. Outflow from Cranberry Pond flows into the Blackstone River.
- 174. Cranberry Pond is a Class B waterbody.
- 175. Cranberry Pond is a navigable water within the meaning of the Clean Water Act.

*The Mystic River*

- 176. The Everett Facility discharges pollutants into the Mystic River at waterbody segment MA71-03.
- 177. Waterbody segment MA71-03 is impaired on the 2016 303(d) list for all of its designated uses, including aesthetic use and primary and secondary contact recreation for pollutants including odor, oil and grease, scum/foam, flocculant masses, PCBs, ammonia, dissolved oxygen, and petroleum hydrocarbons.
- 178. Waterbody segment MA71-03 is impaired for fish, other aquatic life, and wildlife from dissolved oxygen, petroleum hydrocarbons, and unknown causes.
- 179. The sources of impairment for waterbody segment MA71-03 include contaminated

sediments and unknown sources

180. In 2020, the Mystic River Watershed Alternative TMDL Development for Phosphorus Management – Final Report was prepared for and accepted by EPA.

181. The Mystic River is a Class B waterbody.

182. The Mystic River's designated uses include habitat for wildlife and aquatic life, and primary and secondary contact recreational uses.

183. The Mystic River is a navigable water within the meaning of the Clean Water Act.

184. The Mystic River is used for swimming, boating, fishing, water sports, hiking, observing wildlife, and a variety of aesthetic uses and recreational uses.

### **DEFENDANTS' VIOLATIONS OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT**

#### **Effluent and Water Quality Standards Violations**

185. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize pollutant discharges.

186. The Facilities have discharged, and continue to discharge, pollutants (including but not limited to discharges of aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, organic materials measured as COD, solids, foam, oil and grease, and other odiferous and discolored pollutants) that have contributed to, and will continue to contribute to, degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers and Cranberry Pond, including the violation of state water quality standards.

187. The discharge of pollutants from the Facilities has resulted in unnatural and objectionable odor, color, taste, and/or turbidity in the receiving waters downstream from the Facilities.

188. The discharge of pollutants from the Facilities has resulted in floating, suspended, and settleable solids; scum; benthic deposits; oil and grease; and/or harmful concentrations or combinations of chemical constituents in the receiving waters downstream from the Facilities.

189. The discharge of pollutants from the Worcester Facility has contributed to the

impairments of the Blackstone River at waterbody segment MA51-03 for aesthetic use, primary contact recreation, and secondary contact recreation due to debris, odor, oil and grease, scum/foam, trash, and turbidity.

190. The discharge of pollutants from the Worcester Facility has contributed to the impairments of the Blackstone River at waterbody segment MA51-03 for fish, other aquatic life, and wildlife due to chronic aquatic toxicity, dissolved oxygen, lead, eutrophication indicators, and sediment/siltation.

191. The discharge of pollutants from the Everett Facility has contributed to the impairments of the Mystic River at waterbody segment MA71-03 for aesthetic use, primary and secondary contact recreation due to odor, oil and grease, and scum/foam.

192. The discharge of pollutants from the Everett Facility has contributed to the impairments of the Mystic River at waterbody segment MA71-03 for fish, other aquatic life, and wildlife due to dissolved oxygen, petroleum hydrocarbons, and unknown causes.

193. The discharge of pollutants from the Attleboro Facility has contributed to the impairments of the Blackstone River at waterbody segment RI0001003R-01B for all its designated uses, including impairment to fish and wildlife habitat from metals including iron and lead, as well as from cadmium, mercury, PCBs, enterococcus, and fecal coliform.

194. The discharge of pollutants from the Attleboro Facility has contributed to the impairments of the Seekonk River at waterbody segment RI0007019E-01 for fish and wildlife habitat and primary and secondary contact recreation

195. Upon information and belief, CLF expects that discovery will reveal additional discharges of pollutants causing or contributing to violations of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island state water quality standards.

196. Upon information and belief, CLF expects that discovery will reveal additional violations of the MSGPs.

*Pollutant: Aluminum*

197. The Facilities' discharges of aluminum contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation of state water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

198. Aluminum is toxic to fish and many aquatic animals. It bioaccumulates in certain types of plants and in some fish and invertebrate species.

199. Skin exposure to aluminum may cause rashes. When ingested, aluminum may cause health problems in humans such as bone disease, brain disease, and Alzheimer's disease.

200. The Facilities' quarterly discharge monitoring reports show that they have discharged aluminum every quarter for which monitoring was conducted since the fourth quarter of 2016.

201. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize discharges of aluminum.

202. The Attleboro Facility has discharged concentrations of aluminum higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for aluminum of 0.75 milligrams per liter eight times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
203.	Aluminum	12/31/2016	TSY	0.75 mg/L	4.39 mg/L	585%
204.	Aluminum	9/30/2017	MY1	0.75 mg/L	0.989 mg/L	132%
205.	Aluminum	12/31/2017	TSY	0.75 mg/L	1.61 mg/L	215%
206.	Aluminum	3/31/2018	TSY	0.75 mg/L	3.8 mg/L	507%
207.	Aluminum	6/30/2018	MY1	0.75 mg/L	1.24 mg/L	165%
208.	Aluminum	6/30/2018	TSY	0.75 mg/L	0.886 mg/L	118%
209.	Aluminum	9/30/2019	MY1	0.75 mg/L	0.947 mg/L	126%
210.	Aluminum	3/31/2021	MY1	0.75 mg/L	1.07 mg/L	143%

211. The Everett Facility has discharged concentrations of aluminum higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for aluminum of 0.75 milligrams per liter and/or the 2021 MSGP benchmark value for aluminum of 1,100 micrograms per liter four times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the fourth quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
212.	Aluminum	12/31/2016	001A	0.75 mg/L	7.236 mg/L	965%
213.	Aluminum	12/31/2016	001B	0.75 mg/L	13.95 mg/L	1860%
214.	Aluminum	12/31/2020	001	0.75 mg/L	1.19 mg/L	159%
215.	Aluminum	12/31/2021	001	1,100 µg/L	1,366 µg/L	124%

216. The Worcester Facility discharged concentrations of aluminum higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for aluminum of 0.75 milligrams per liter in the fourth quarter of 2018, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
217.	Aluminum	12/31/2018	001	0.75 mg/L	0.8642 mg/L	115%

218. Schnitzer's annual average aluminum concentrations at the Attleboro Facility have exceeded the benchmark value of 0.75 milligrams per liter twice since the fourth quarter of 2016.

219. Schnitzer's discharges of aluminum from the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements eight times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average <sup>2</sup>
220.	Aluminum	12/31/2016	TSY	0.75 mg/L	2.04 mg/L
221.	Aluminum	3/31/2017	TSY	0.75 mg/L	2.13 mg/L

<sup>2</sup> Either the four-quarter annual average or the measured value where an exceedance is mathematically certain (i.e., the sum of a quarterly sample results to date is already more than four times the benchmark threshold).

222.	Aluminum	6/30/2017	TSY	0.75 mg/L	1.83 mg/L
223.	Aluminum	9/30/2017	TSY	0.75 mg/L	1.36 mg/L
224.	Aluminum	3/31/2018	TSY	0.75 mg/L	1.48 mg/L
225.	Aluminum	6/30/2018	TSY	0.75 mg/L	1.69 mg/L
226.	Aluminum	9/30/2018	TSY	0.75 mg/L	1.59 mg/L
227.	Aluminum	12/31/2018	TSY	0.75 mg/L	1.24 mg/L

228. Schnitzer's annual average aluminum concentrations at the Everett Facility have exceeded the benchmark value of 0.75 milligrams per liter twice since the fourth quarter of 2016.

229. Schnitzer's discharges of aluminum from the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements twice since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
230.	Aluminum	12/31/2016	001A	0.75 mg/L	13.96 mg/L
231.	Aluminum	12/31/2016	001B	0.75 mg/L	7.003 mg/L

*Pollutant: Copper*

232. The Facilities' discharges of copper contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation of State water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

233. Copper is toxic to aquatic animals and it bioconcentrates in mollusks.

234. The ingestion of copper can be dangerous for humans. Consuming too much copper may cause liver and kidney damage, increased risk of heart disease, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain and diarrhea, and even death.

235. Stormwater runoff is a major source of elevated copper levels in river water.

236. The Facilities' quarterly discharge monitoring reports show that they have discharged copper every quarter for which monitoring was conducted since the fourth quarter of 2016.

237. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize

discharges of copper.

238. The Attleboro Facility has discharged concentrations of copper higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for copper of 5.6 micrograms per liter and/or the 2021 MSGP benchmark value for copper of 5.19 micrograms per liter 48 times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the fourth quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
239.	Copper	12/31/2016	LMY	5.6 µg/L	51 µg/L	911%
240.	Copper	12/31/2016	MY1	5.6 µg/L	18 µg/L	321%
241.	Copper	12/31/2016	TSY	5.6 µg/L	239 µg/L	4,268%
242.	Copper	3/31/2017	LMY	5.6 µg/L	22 µg/L	393%
243.	Copper	3/31/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	18 µg/L	321%
244.	Copper	3/31/2017	TSY	5.6 µg/L	57 µg/L	1,018%
245.	Copper	6/30/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	17 µg/L	304%
246.	Copper	9/30/2017	LMY	5.6 µg/L	233 µg/L	4,161%
247.	Copper	9/30/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	66 µg/L	1,179%
248.	Copper	9/30/2017	TSY	5.6 µg/L	87 µg/L	1,554%
249.	Copper	12/31/2017	LMY	5.6 µg/L	84 µg/L	1,500%
250.	Copper	12/31/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	10 µg/L	179%
251.	Copper	12/31/2017	TSY	5.6 µg/L	68 µg/L	1,214%
252.	Copper	3/31/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	16 µg/L	286%
253.	Copper	3/31/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	13 µg/L	232%
254.	Copper	3/31/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	328 µg/L	5,857%
255.	Copper	6/30/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	197 µg/L	3,518%
256.	Copper	6/30/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	57 µg/L	1,018%
257.	Copper	6/30/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	66 µg/L	1,179%
258.	Copper	9/30/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	20 µg/L	357%
259.	Copper	9/30/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	28 µg/L	500%
260.	Copper	9/30/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	55 µg/L	982%
261.	Copper	12/31/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	22 µg/L	393%
262.	Copper	12/31/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	19 µg/L	339%
263.	Copper	12/31/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	27 µg/L	482%
264.	Copper	3/31/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	73 µg/L	1,304%
265.	Copper	3/31/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	7 µg/L	125%
266.	Copper	3/31/2019	TSY	5.6 µg/L	15 µg/L	268%
267.	Copper	6/30/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	77 µg/L	1,375%
268.	Copper	6/30/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	30 µg/L	536%
269.	Copper	9/30/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	19 µg/L	339%
270.	Copper	9/30/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	29 µg/L	518%

271.	Copper	12/31/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	58 µg/L	1,036%
272.	Copper	12/31/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	7 µg/L	125%
273.	Copper	3/31/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	27 µg/L	482%
274.	Copper	3/31/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	25 µg/L	446%
275.	Copper	6/30/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	57 µg/L	1,018%
276.	Copper	6/30/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	15 µg/L	268%
277.	Copper	9/30/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	11 µg/L	196%
278.	Copper	9/30/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	31 µg/L	554%
279.	Copper	12/31/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	74 µg/L	1,321%
280.	Copper	12/31/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	33 µg/L	589%
281.	Copper	3/31/2021	LMY	5.6 µg/L	27 µg/L	482%
282.	Copper	3/31/2021	MY1	5.6 µg/L	30 µg/L	536%
283.	Copper	9/30/2021	LMY	5.19 µg/L	108 µg/L	2,081%
284.	Copper	9/30/2021	MY1	5.19 µg/L	25 µg/L	482%
285.	Copper	12/31/2021	LMY	5.19 µg/L	18 µg/L	347%
286.	Copper	12/31/2021	MY1	5.19 µg/L	15 µg/L	289%

287. The Everett Facility has discharged concentrations of copper higher than the MSGPs' benchmark value for copper of 4.8 micrograms per liter 14 times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the fourth quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
288.	Copper	12/31/2016	001A	4.8 µg/L	402.9 µg/L	8,394%
289.	Copper	12/31/2016	001B	4.8 µg/L	749 µg/L	15,604%
290.	Copper	3/31/2017	001	4.8 µg/L	9.34 µg/L	195%
291.	Copper	6/30/2018	001	4.8 µg/L	18.91 µg/L	394%
292.	Copper	3/31/2019	001	4.8 µg/L	10.85 µg/L	226%
293.	Copper	9/30/2019	001	4.8 µg/L	< 5 µg/L	< 104%
294.	Copper	12/31/2019	001	4.8 µg/L	<= 5 µg/L	<=104%
295.	Copper	3/31/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	131.9 µg/L	2,748%
296.	Copper	6/30/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	<= 10 µg/L	<=208%
297.	Copper	9/30/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	< 20 µg/L	< 417%
298.	Copper	12/31/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	44.9 µg/L	935%
299.	Copper	3/31/2021	001	4.8 µg/L	8.85 µg/L	184%
300.	Copper	6/30/2021	001	4.8 µg/L	5.9 µg/L	123%
301.	Copper	12/31/2021	001	4.8 µg/L	9.85 µg/L	205%

302. The Worcester Facility discharged concentrations of copper higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for copper of 12.3 micrograms per liter and/or the 2021 MSGP benchmark



value for copper of 5.19 micrograms per liter 14 times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the fourth quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
303.	Copper	12/31/2016	001	12.3 µg/L	99 µg/L	805%
304.	Copper	6/30/2017	001	12.3 µg/L	74 µg/L	602%
305.	Copper	12/31/2017	001	12.3 µg/L	173.8 µg/L	1,413%
306.	Copper	3/31/2018	001	12.3 µg/L	19.47 µg/L	158%
307.	Copper	9/30/2018	001	12.3 µg/L	307 µg/L	2,496%
308.	Copper	12/31/2018	001	12.3 µg/L	43.82 µg/L	356%
309.	Copper	3/31/2019	001	12.3 µg/L	26.45 µg/L	215%
310.	Copper	12/31/2019	001	12.3 µg/L	19.99 µg/L	163%
311.	Copper	3/31/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	27.89 µg/L	227%
312.	Copper	6/30/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	16 µg/L	130%
313.	Copper	9/30/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	27 µg/L	220%
314.	Copper	12/31/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	13 µg/L	106%
315.	Copper	9/30/2021	001	5.19 µg/L	16.16 µg/L	311%
316.	Copper	12/31/2021	001	5.19 µg/L	8.35 µg/L	161%

317. Schnitzer's annual average copper concentrations at the Attleboro Facility have exceeded the 2015 MSGP benchmark value of 5.6 micrograms per liter and/or the 2021 MSGP benchmark value of 5.19 micrograms per liter 49 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

318. Schnitzer's discharges of copper from the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 49 times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
319.	Copper	12/31/2016	LMY	5.6 µg/L	72.8 µg/L
320.	Copper	12/31/2016	MY1	5.6 µg/L	9.51 µg/L
321.	Copper	12/31/2016	TSY	5.6 µg/L	162 µg/L
322.	Copper	3/31/2017	LMY	5.6 µg/L	78.3 µg/L
323.	Copper	3/31/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	14 µg/L
324.	Copper	3/31/2017	TSY	5.6 µg/L	176 µg/L
325.	Copper	6/30/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	18.25 µg/L
326.	Copper	6/30/2017	TSY	5.6 µg/L	176 µg/L

327.	Copper	9/30/2017	LMY	5.6 µg/L	136 µg/L
328.	Copper	9/30/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	29.8 µg/L
329.	Copper	9/30/2017	TSY	5.6 µg/L	95.8 µg/L
330.	Copper	12/31/2017	LMY	5.6 µg/L	97.5 µg/L
331.	Copper	12/31/2017	MY1	5.6 µg/L	27.8 µg/L
332.	Copper	12/31/2017	TSY	5.6 µg/L	53 µg/L
333.	Copper	3/31/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	88.8 µg/L
334.	Copper	3/31/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	26.5 µg/L
335.	Copper	3/31/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	121 µg/L
336.	Copper	6/30/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	132.5 µg/L
337.	Copper	6/30/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	36.5 µg/L
338.	Copper	6/30/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	137 µg/L
339.	Copper	9/30/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	79.2 µg/L
340.	Copper	9/30/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	27 µg/L
341.	Copper	9/30/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	129 µg/L
342.	Copper	12/31/2018	LMY	5.6 µg/L	63.8 µg/L
343.	Copper	12/31/2018	MY1	5.6 µg/L	29.2 µg/L
344.	Copper	12/31/2018	TSY	5.6 µg/L	119 µg/L
345.	Copper	3/31/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	78 µg/L
346.	Copper	3/31/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	27.8 µg/L
347.	Copper	3/31/2019	TSY	5.6 µg/L	40.8 µg/L
348.	Copper	6/30/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	48 µg/L
349.	Copper	6/30/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	21 µg/L
350.	Copper	9/30/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	47.8 µg/L
351.	Copper	9/30/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	21.2 µg/L
352.	Copper	12/31/2019	LMY	5.6 µg/L	56.8 µg/L
353.	Copper	12/31/2019	MY1	5.6 µg/L	18.2 µg/L
354.	Copper	3/31/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	45.2 µg/L
355.	Copper	3/31/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	22.8 µg/L
356.	Copper	6/30/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	40.2 µg/L
357.	Copper	6/30/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	19 µg/L
358.	Copper	9/30/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	38.2 µg/L
359.	Copper	9/30/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	19.5 µg/L
360.	Copper	12/31/2020	LMY	5.6 µg/L	42.2 µg/L
361.	Copper	12/31/2020	MY1	5.6 µg/L	26 µg/L
362.	Copper	3/31/2021	LMY	5.6 µg/L	42.2 µg/L
363.	Copper	3/31/2021	MY1	5.6 µg/L	27.2 µg/L
364.	Copper	9/30/2021	LMY	5.19 µg/L	108 µg/L
365.	Copper	9/30/2021	MY1	5.19 µg/L	25 µg/L
366.	Copper	12/31/2021	LMY	5.19 µg/L	126 µg/L
367.	Copper	12/31/2021	MY1	5.19 µg/L	40 µg/L

368. Schnitzer's annual average copper concentrations at the Everett Facility have exceeded

the MSGPs' benchmark value of 4.8 micrograms per liter 15 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

369. Schnitzer's discharges of copper from the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 15 times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Date Corrective Action Triggered</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Annual Average</b>
370.	Copper	12/31/2016	001A	4.8 µg/L	782 µg/L
371.	Copper	12/31/2016	001B	4.8 µg/L	1,590 µg/L
372.	Copper	6/30/2018	001	4.8 µg/L	6.89 µg/L
373.	Copper	9/30/2018	001	4.8 µg/L	7.45 µg/L
374.	Copper	12/31/2018	001	4.8 µg/L	7.21 µg/L
375.	Copper	3/31/2019	001	4.8 µg/L	9.21 µg/L
376.	Copper	6/30/2019	001	4.8 µg/L	4.98 µg/L
377.	Copper	9/30/2019	001	4.8 µg/L	5.42 µg/L
378.	Copper	12/31/2019	001	4.8 µg/L	5.71 µg/L
379.	Copper	3/31/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	36.0 µg/L
380.	Copper	6/30/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	38.0 µg/L
381.	Copper	9/30/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	41.7 µg/L
382.	Copper	12/31/2020	001	4.8 µg/L	51.7 µg/L
383.	Copper	3/31/2021	001	4.8 µg/L	20.9 µg/L
384.	Copper	6/30/2021	001	4.8 µg/L	19.9 µg/L

385. Schnitzer's annual average copper concentrations at the Worcester Facility have exceeded the 2015 MSGP's benchmark value of 12.3 micrograms per liter and/or the 2021 MSGP benchmark value of 5.19 micrograms per liter 18 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

386. Schnitzer's discharges of copper from the Worcester Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 18 times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Date Corrective Action Triggered</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Annual Average</b>
387.	Copper	12/31/2016	001	12.3 µg/L	25.5 µg/L
388.	Copper	3/31/2017	001	12.3 µg/L	26.8 µg/L

389.	Copper	6/30/2017	001	12.3 µg/L	45.3 µg/L
390.	Copper	12/31/2017	001	12.3 µg/L	88.7 µg/L
391.	Copper	3/31/2018	001	12.3 µg/L	68.8 µg/L
392.	Copper	6/30/2018	001	12.3 µg/L	67.1 µg/L
393.	Copper	9/30/2018	001	12.3 µg/L	125 µg/L
394.	Copper	12/31/2018	001	12.3 µg/L	92.8 µg/L
395.	Copper	3/31/2019	001	12.3 µg/L	94.6 µg/L
396.	Copper	6/30/2019	001	12.3 µg/L	96.9 µg/L
397.	Copper	9/30/2019	001	12.3 µg/L	21 µg/L
398.	Copper	12/31/2019	001	12.3 µg/L	15 µg/L
399.	Copper	3/31/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	15.4 µg/L
400.	Copper	6/30/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	16.8 µg/L
401.	Copper	9/30/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	22.7 µg/L
402.	Copper	12/31/2020	001	12.3 µg/L	21 µg/L
403.	Copper	3/31/2021	001	12.3 µg/L	16.5 µg/L
404.	Copper	12/31/2021	001	5.19 µg/L	24.5 µg/L

*Pollutant: Iron*

405. The Facilities' discharges of iron contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation of State water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

406. Iron harms aquatic environments by causing turbidity and suspended solids. Iron solids in the water smother invertebrates, microbes, and eggs; impair the respiration of aquatic animals; and decrease reproduction rates.

407. Iron harms humans both as a substance that is toxic in high amounts and as a nuisance. Iron in drinking water impairs taste, clogs pipes, and causes stains.

408. The Facilities' quarterly discharge monitoring reports show that they have discharged iron every quarter for which monitoring was conducted since the fourth quarter of 2016.

409. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize discharges of iron.

410. The Attleboro Facility has discharged concentrations of iron higher than the 2015 MSGP

benchmark value for iron of 1 milligram per liter 18 times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
411.	Iron	12/31/2016	LMY	1 mg/L	11.2 mg/L	1,120%
412.	Iron	12/31/2016	TSY	1 mg/L	5.68 mg/L	568%
413.	Iron	3/31/2017	TSY	1 mg/L	2.47 mg/L	247%
414.	Iron	9/30/2017	LMY	1 mg/L	1.08 mg/L	108%
415.	Iron	9/30/2017	MY1	1 mg/L	2.42 mg/L	242%
416.	Iron	9/30/2017	TSY	1 mg/L	1.12 mg/L	112%
417.	Iron	12/31/2017	TSY	1 mg/L	2.36 mg/L	236%
418.	Iron	3/31/2018	TSY	1 mg/L	4.62 mg/L	462%
419.	Iron	6/30/2018	MY1	1 mg/L	3.18 mg/L	318%
420.	Iron	6/30/2018	TSY	1 mg/L	1.38 mg/L	138%
421.	Iron	9/30/2018	TSY	1 mg/L	1.12 mg/L	112%
422.	Iron	12/31/2018	MY1	1 mg/L	1.93 mg/L	193%
423.	Iron	3/31/2019	LMY	1 mg/L	1.24 mg/L	124%
424.	Iron	6/30/2019	LMY	1 mg/L	1.64 mg/L	164%
425.	Iron	9/30/2019	LMY	1 mg/L	1.39 mg/L	139%
426.	Iron	9/30/2019	MY1	1 mg/L	1.28 mg/L	128%
427.	Iron	12/31/2019	LMY	1 mg/L	1.07 mg/L	107%
428.	Iron	3/31/2021	MY1	1 mg/L	1.24 mg/L	124%

429. The Everett Facility has discharged concentrations of iron higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for iron of 1 milligram per liter six times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
430.	Iron	12/31/2016	001A	1 mg/L	16.2 mg/L	1,620%
431.	Iron	12/31/2016	001B	1 mg/L	48.8 mg/L	4,880%
432.	Iron	3/31/2017	001	1 mg/L	2.24 mg/L	224%
433.	Iron	3/31/2019	001	1 mg/L	1.28 mg/L	128%
434.	Iron	12/31/2020	001	1 mg/L	2.88 mg/L	288%
435.	Iron	3/31/2021	001	1 mg/L	1.33 mg/L	133%

436. The Worcester Facility discharged concentrations of iron higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for iron of 1 milligram per liter 17 times between the fourth quarter of 2016

and the first quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
437.	Iron	12/31/2016	001	1 mg/L	1.7 mg/L	170%
438.	Iron	3/31/2017	001	1 mg/L	2 mg/L	200%
439.	Iron	6/30/2017	001	1 mg/L	3.4 mg/L	340%
440.	Iron	12/31/2017	001	1 mg/L	3.65 mg/L	365%
441.	Iron	3/31/2018	001	1 mg/L	2.69 mg/L	269%
442.	Iron	6/30/2018	001	1 mg/L	1.68 mg/L	168%
443.	Iron	9/30/2018	001	1 mg/L	3.69 mg/L	369%
444.	Iron	12/31/2018	001	1 mg/L	3.38 mg/L	338%
445.	Iron	3/31/2019	001	1 mg/L	6.59 mg/L	659%
446.	Iron	6/30/2019	001	1 mg/L	5.99 mg/L	599%
447.	Iron	9/30/2019	001	1 mg/L	1.55 mg/L	155%
448.	Iron	12/31/2019	001	1 mg/L	2.19 mg/L	219%
449.	Iron	3/31/2020	001	1 mg/L	5.9 mg/L	590%
450.	Iron	6/30/2020	001	1 mg/L	2.51 mg/L	251%
451.	Iron	9/30/2020	001	1 mg/L	4.04 mg/L	404%
452.	Iron	12/31/2020	001	1 mg/L	2.05 mg/L	205%
453.	Iron	3/31/2021	001	1 mg/L	2.77 mg/L	277%

454. Schnitzer's annual average iron concentrations at the Attleboro Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 1 milligram per liter 22 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

455. Schnitzer's discharges of iron from the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 22 times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
456.	Iron	12/31/2016	LMY	1 mg/L	3.07 mg/L
457.	Iron	12/31/2016	TSY	1 mg/L	2.83 mg/L
458.	Iron	3/31/2017	LMY	1 mg/L	3.19 mg/L
459.	Iron	3/31/2017	TSY	1 mg/L	3.35 mg/L
460.	Iron	6/30/2017	TSY	1 mg/L	3.08 mg/L
461.	Iron	9/30/2017	LMY	1 mg/L	3.38 mg/L
462.	Iron	9/30/2017	TSY	1 mg/L	2.51 mg/L
463.	Iron	12/31/2017	LMY	1 mg/L	3.34 mg/L
464.	Iron	12/31/2017	TSY	1 mg/L	1.68 mg/L

465.	Iron	3/31/2018	TSY	1 mg/L	2.21 mg/L
466.	Iron	6/30/2018	MY1	1 mg/L	1.58 mg/L
467.	Iron	6/30/2018	TSY	1 mg/L	2.37 mg/L
468.	Iron	9/30/2018	MY1	1 mg/L	1.01 mg/L
469.	Iron	9/30/2018	TSY	1 mg/L	2.37 mg/L
470.	Iron	12/31/2018	MY1	1 mg/L	1.45 mg/L
471.	Iron	12/31/2018	TSY	1 mg/L	1.84 mg/L
472.	Iron	3/31/2019	MY1	1 mg/L	1.49 mg/L
473.	Iron	6/30/2019	LMY	1 mg/L	1.07 mg/L
474.	Iron	9/30/2019	LMY	1 mg/L	1.22 mg/L
475.	Iron	9/30/2019	MY1	1 mg/L	1.15 mg/L
476.	Iron	12/31/2019	LMY	1 mg/L	1.33 mg/L
477.	Iron	3/31/2020	LMY	1 mg/L	1.18 mg/L

478. Schnitzer's annual average iron concentrations at the Everett Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 1 milligram per liter three times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

479. Schnitzer's discharges of iron from the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements three times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
480.	Iron	12/31/2016	001A	1 mg/L	38.1 mg/L
481.	Iron	12/31/2016	001B	1 mg/L	26.3 mg/L
482.	Iron	3/31/2021	001	1 mg/L	1.09 mg/L

483. Schnitzer's annual average iron concentrations at the Worcester Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 1 milligram per liter 17 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

484. Schnitzer's discharges of iron from the Worcester Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 17 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
485.	Iron	12/31/2016	001	1 mg/L	2.07 mg/L
486.	Iron	3/31/2017	001	1 mg/L	1.85 mg/L
487.	Iron	6/30/2017	001	1 mg/L	2.1 mg/L
488.	Iron	12/31/2017	001	1 mg/L	2.69 mg/L
489.	Iron	3/31/2018	001	1 mg/L	2.94 mg/L
490.	Iron	6/30/2018	001	1 mg/L	2.85 mg/L

491.	Iron	9/30/2018	001	1 mg/L	2.93 mg/L
492.	Iron	12/31/2018	001	1 mg/L	2.86 mg/L
493.	Iron	3/31/2019	001	1 mg/L	3.83 mg/L
494.	Iron	6/30/2019	001	1 mg/L	4.91 mg/L
495.	Iron	9/30/2019	001	1 mg/L	4.38 mg/L
496.	Iron	12/31/2019	001	1 mg/L	4.08 mg/L
497.	Iron	3/31/2020	001	1 mg/L	3.91 mg/L
498.	Iron	6/30/2020	001	1 mg/L	3.04 mg/L
499.	Iron	9/30/2020	001	1 mg/L	3.66 mg/L
500.	Iron	12/31/2020	001	1 mg/L	3.62 mg/L
501.	Iron	3/31/2021	001	1 mg/L	2.84 mg/L

*Pollutant: Lead*

502. The Facilities' discharges of lead contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation of State water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

503. Lead is toxic to humans and animals (including all aquatic organisms), even in very small amounts.

504. Low levels of lead can impair the brain, kidney, heart, blood, lungs, bones, immune system, and reproductive systems. Lead exposure can cause development issues, including decreased cognitive function and decreased birthweight and size. Lead is linked to increased risk of heart disease and cancer.

505. The Facilities' quarterly discharge monitoring reports show that they have discharged lead every quarter for which monitoring was conducted since the fourth quarter of 2016.

506. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize discharges of lead.

507. The Attleboro Facility has discharged concentrations of lead higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for lead of 0.023 milligrams per liter eight times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the second quarter of 2019, as detailed in the below table.



<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
508.	Lead	12/31/2016	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.124 mg/L	539%
509.	Lead	9/30/2017	LMY	0.023 mg/L	0.04 mg/L	174%
510.	Lead	9/30/2017	MY1	0.023 mg/L	0.034 mg/L	148%
511.	Lead	9/30/2017	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.033 mg/L	143%
512.	Lead	12/31/2017	LMY	0.023 mg/L	0.041 mg/L	178%
513.	Lead	3/31/2018	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.176 mg/L	765%
514.	Lead	6/30/2018	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.03 mg/L	130%
515.	Lead	6/30/2019	LMY	0.023 mg/L	0.034 mg/L	148%

516. The Everett Facility has discharged concentrations of lead higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for lead of 0.21 milligrams per liter twice in the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
517.	Lead	12/31/2016	001A	0.21 mg/L	0.7525 mg/L	358%
518.	Lead	12/31/2016	001B	0.21 mg/L	1.524 mg/L	726%

519. The Worcester Facility discharged concentrations of lead higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for lead of 0.069 milligrams per liter twice between the second quarter of 2017 and the fourth quarter of 2017.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
520.	Lead	6/30/2017	001	0.069 mg/L	0.072 mg/L	104%
521.	Lead	12/31/2017	001	0.069 mg/L	0.07713 mg/L	112%

522. Schnitzer's annual average lead concentrations at the Attleboro Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 0.023 milligrams per liter ten times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

523. Schnitzer's discharges of lead from the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements ten times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed

in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Date Corrective Action Triggered</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Annual Average</b>
524.	Lead	12/31/2016	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.112 mg/L
525.	Lead	3/31/2017	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.115 mg/L
526.	Lead	6/30/2017	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.0945 mg/L
527.	Lead	9/30/2017	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.0452 mg/L
528.	Lead	12/31/2017	LMY	0.023 mg/L	0.0232 mg/L
529.	Lead	3/31/2018	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.0532 mg/L
530.	Lead	6/30/2018	LMY	0.023 mg/L	0.025 mg/L
531.	Lead	6/30/2018	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.0602 mg/L
532.	Lead	9/30/2018	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.0575 mg/L
533.	Lead	12/31/2018	TSY	0.023 mg/L	0.059 mg/L

534. Schnitzer's annual average lead concentrations at the Everett Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 0.21 milligrams per liter twice since the fourth quarter of 2016.

535. Schnitzer's discharges of lead from the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements twice since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Date Corrective Action Triggered</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Annual Average</b>
536.	Lead	12/31/2016	001A	0.21 mg/L	1.46 mg/L
537.	Lead	12/31/2016	001B	0.21 mg/L	0.831 mg/L

538. Schnitzer's annual average lead concentrations at the Worcester Facility have exceeded the 2015 MSGP's benchmark value of 0.069 milligrams per liter twice since the fourth quarter of 2016.

539. Schnitzer's discharges of lead from the Worcester Facility have triggered the MSGP's corrective action and/or AIM requirements twice since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Date Corrective Action Triggered</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Annual Average</b>
540.	Lead	12/31/2016	001	0.069 mg/L	4.52 mg/L

541.	Lead	3/31/2017	001	0.069 mg/L	4.52 mg/L
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*Pollutant: Zinc*

542. The Facilities' discharges of zinc contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation of State water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

543. When ingested, zinc may cause health problems in humans, including brain damage, infertility and developmental issues, pancreatic damage, anemia, nausea, vomiting, and stomach cramps.

544. Zinc is toxic to humans and aquatic organisms in high amounts, and it reacts with chemicals like cadmium to intensify their toxicity. Zinc bioaccumulates in aquatic animals.

545. The Facilities' quarterly discharge monitoring reports show that they have discharged zinc every quarter for which monitoring was conducted since the fourth quarter of 2016.

546. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize discharges of zinc.

547. The Attleboro Facility has discharged concentrations of zinc higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for zinc of 0.05 milligrams per liter and/or the 2021 MSGP benchmark value for zinc of 52 micrograms per liter 43 times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the fourth quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
548.	Zinc	12/31/2016	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.091 mg/L	182%
549.	Zinc	12/31/2016	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.117 mg/L	234%
550.	Zinc	12/31/2016	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.912 mg/L	1,824%
551.	Zinc	3/31/2017	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.189 mg/L	378%
552.	Zinc	3/31/2017	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.15 mg/L	300%
553.	Zinc	9/30/2017	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.142 mg/L	284%
554.	Zinc	9/30/2017	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.2 mg/L	400%

555.	Zinc	9/30/2017	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.215 mg/L	430%
556.	Zinc	12/31/2017	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.204 mg/L	408%
557.	Zinc	12/31/2017	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.126 mg/L	252%
558.	Zinc	12/31/2017	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.073 mg/L	146%
559.	Zinc	3/31/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.132 mg/L	264%
560.	Zinc	3/31/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.08 mg/L	160%
561.	Zinc	3/31/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.79 mg/L	1,580%
562.	Zinc	6/30/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.123 mg/L	246%
563.	Zinc	6/30/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.053 mg/L	106%
564.	Zinc	6/30/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.145 mg/L	290%
565.	Zinc	9/30/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.062 mg/L	124%
566.	Zinc	9/30/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.058 mg/L	116%
567.	Zinc	9/30/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.125 mg/L	250%
568.	Zinc	12/31/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.152 mg/L	304%
569.	Zinc	12/31/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.063 mg/L	126%
570.	Zinc	12/31/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.066 mg/L	132%
571.	Zinc	3/31/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.252 mg/L	504%
572.	Zinc	6/30/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.165 mg/L	330%
573.	Zinc	6/30/2019	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.052 mg/L	104%
574.	Zinc	9/30/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.053 mg/L	106%
575.	Zinc	9/30/2019	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.072 mg/L	144%
576.	Zinc	12/31/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.264 mg/L	528%
577.	Zinc	12/31/2019	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.099 mg/L	198%
578.	Zinc	3/31/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.08 mg/L	160%
579.	Zinc	3/31/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.074 mg/L	148%
580.	Zinc	6/30/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.134 mg/L	268%
581.	Zinc	6/30/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.059 mg/L	118%
582.	Zinc	9/30/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.056 mg/L	112%
583.	Zinc	9/30/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.052 mg/L	104%
584.	Zinc	12/31/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.137 mg/L	274%
585.	Zinc	12/31/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.057 mg/L	114%
586.	Zinc	3/31/2021	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.214 mg/L	428%
587.	Zinc	3/31/2021	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.057 mg/L	114%
588.	Zinc	9/30/2021	LMY	52 µg/L	160 µg/L	308%
589.	Zinc	9/30/2021	MY1	52 µg/L	66 µg/L	127%
590.	Zinc	12/31/2021	LMY	52 µg/L	274 µg/L	527%

591. The Everett Facility has discharged concentrations of zinc higher than the MSGPs' benchmark value for zinc of 90 micrograms per liter nine times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the fourth quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
592.	Zinc	12/31/2016	001A	90 µg/L	3,150 µg/L	3,500%
593.	Zinc	12/31/2016	001B	90 µg/L	7,135 µg/L	7,928%
594.	Zinc	3/31/2017	001	90 µg/L	197.6 µg/L	220%
595.	Zinc	6/30/2019	001	90 µg/L	176.5 µg/L	196%
596.	Zinc	3/31/2020	001	90 µg/L	129.4 µg/L	144%
597.	Zinc	9/30/2020	001	90 µg/L	< 200 µg/L	< 222%
598.	Zinc	12/31/2020	001	90 µg/L	569.5 µg/L	633%
599.	Zinc	6/30/2021	001	90 µg/L	159 µg/L	177%
600.	Zinc	12/31/2021	001	90 µg/L	340.7 µg/L	379%

601. The Worcester Facility discharged concentrations of zinc higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for zinc of 0.11 milligrams per liter seven times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the third quarter of 2020, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
602.	Zinc	12/31/2016	001	0.11 mg/L	0.12 mg/L	109%
603.	Zinc	9/30/2018	001	0.11 mg/L	0.1448 mg/L	132%
604.	Zinc	12/31/2018	001	0.11 mg/L	0.2984 mg/L	271%
605.	Zinc	3/31/2019	001	0.11 mg/L	0.2086 mg/L	190%
606.	Zinc	3/31/2020	001	0.11 mg/L	0.2281 mg/L	207%
607.	Zinc	6/30/2020	001	0.11 mg/L	0.15 mg/L	136%
608.	Zinc	9/30/2020	001	0.11 mg/L	0.184 mg/L	167%

609. Schnitzer's annual average zinc concentrations at the Attleboro Facility have exceeded the 2015 MSGP's benchmark value of 0.05 and/or the 2021 MSGP benchmark value of 0.052 milligrams per liter 46 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

610. Schnitzer's discharges of zinc from the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 46 times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
611.	Zinc	12/31/2016	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.107 mg/L

612.	Zinc	12/31/2016	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0733 mg/L
613.	Zinc	12/31/2016	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.543 mg/L
614.	Zinc	3/31/2017	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.103 mg/L
615.	Zinc	3/31/2017	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0625 mg/L
616.	Zinc	3/31/2017	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.546 mg/L
617.	Zinc	6/30/2017	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0638 mg/L
618.	Zinc	6/30/2017	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.467 mg/L
619.	Zinc	9/30/2017	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.119 mg/L
620.	Zinc	9/30/2017	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0995 mg/L
621.	Zinc	9/30/2017	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.323 mg/L
622.	Zinc	12/31/2017	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.157 mg/L
623.	Zinc	12/31/2017	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.102 mg/L
624.	Zinc	12/31/2017	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.113 mg/L
625.	Zinc	3/31/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.167 mg/L
626.	Zinc	3/31/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.111 mg/L
627.	Zinc	3/31/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.273 mg/L
628.	Zinc	6/30/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.15 mg/L
629.	Zinc	6/30/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.115 mg/L
630.	Zinc	6/30/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.306 mg/L
631.	Zinc	9/30/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.13 mg/L
632.	Zinc	9/30/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0793 mg/L
633.	Zinc	9/30/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.283 mg/L
634.	Zinc	12/31/2018	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.117 mg/L
635.	Zinc	12/31/2018	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0635 mg/L
636.	Zinc	12/31/2018	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.282 mg/L
637.	Zinc	3/31/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.147 mg/L
638.	Zinc	3/31/2019	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0525 mg/L
639.	Zinc	3/31/2019	TSY	0.05 mg/L	0.0958 mg/L
640.	Zinc	6/30/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.158 mg/L
641.	Zinc	6/30/2019	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0522 mg/L
642.	Zinc	9/30/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.156 mg/L
643.	Zinc	9/30/2019	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0557 mg/L
644.	Zinc	12/31/2019	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.183 mg/L
645.	Zinc	12/31/2019	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0648 mg/L
646.	Zinc	3/31/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.14 mg/L
647.	Zinc	3/31/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0742 mg/L
648.	Zinc	6/30/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.133 mg/L
649.	Zinc	6/30/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.076 mg/L
650.	Zinc	9/30/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.134 mg/L
651.	Zinc	9/30/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.071 mg/L
652.	Zinc	12/31/2020	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.102 mg/L
653.	Zinc	12/31/2020	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0605 mg/L
654.	Zinc	3/31/2021	LMY	0.05 mg/L	0.135 mg/L
655.	Zinc	3/31/2021	MY1	0.05 mg/L	0.0562 mg/L
656.	Zinc	12/31/2021	LMY	52 µg/L	434 µg/L

657. Schnitzer's annual average zinc concentrations at the Everett Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 90 micrograms per liter seven times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

658. Schnitzer's discharges of zinc from the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements seven times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
659.	Zinc	12/31/2016	001A	90 µg/L	14,926.75 µg/L
660.	Zinc	12/31/2016	001B	90 µg/L	3,894.5 µg/L
661.	Zinc	3/31/2020	001	90 µg/L	102.5 µg/L
662.	Zinc	9/30/2020	001	90 µg/L	107.3 µg/L
663.	Zinc	12/31/2020	001	90 µg/L	237.2 µg/L
664.	Zinc	3/31/2021	001	90 µg/L	224 µg/L
665.	Zinc	6/30/2021	001	90 µg/L	251.3 µg/L

666. Schnitzer's annual average zinc concentrations at the Worcester Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 0.11 milligrams per liter nine times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

667. Schnitzer's discharges of zinc from the Worcester Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements nine times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
668.	Zinc	12/31/2018	001	0.11 mg/L	0.156 mg/L
669.	Zinc	3/31/2019	001	0.11 mg/L	0.187 mg/L
670.	Zinc	6/30/2019	001	0.11 mg/L	0.18 mg/L
671.	Zinc	9/30/2019	001	0.11 mg/L	0.154 mg/L
672.	Zinc	3/31/2020	001	0.11 mg/L	0.111 mg/L
673.	Zinc	6/30/2020	001	0.11 mg/L	0.131 mg/L
674.	Zinc	9/30/2020	001	0.11 mg/L	0.168 mg/L

675.	Zinc	12/31/2020	001	0.11 mg/L	0.158 mg/L
676.	Zinc	3/31/2021	001	0.11 mg/L	0.119 mg/L

*Pollutant: Chemical Oxygen Demand (“COD”)*

677. The Facilities’ discharges of COD contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation of State water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

678. COD is an indicator for the presence of organic pollution. Organic pollution contributes to low dissolved oxygen levels and eutrophication, which can result in harmful algal and cyanobacteria blooms, a proliferation of nuisance and invasive species, discolored water, harmful benthic deposits, and scum.

679. The Facilities’ quarterly discharge monitoring reports show that they have discharged COD every quarter for which monitoring was conducted since the fourth quarter of 2016.

680. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize discharges of COD.

681. The Attleboro Facility has discharged concentrations of COD higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for COD of 120 milligrams per liter four times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2019, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
682.	COD	12/31/2016	TSY	120 mg/L	144 mg/L	120%
683.	COD	9/30/2017	LMY	120 mg/L	512 mg/L	427%
684.	COD	3/31/2018	TSY	120 mg/L	147 mg/L	123%
685.	COD	3/31/2019	LMY	120 mg/L	329 mg/L	274%

686. The Everett Facility has discharged concentrations of COD higher than the MSGPs benchmark value for COD of 120 milligrams per liter 20 times between the fourth quarter of



2016 and the fourth quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
687.	COD	12/31/2016	001A	120 mg/L	370 mg/L	308%
688.	COD	12/31/2016	001B	120 mg/L	690 mg/L	575%
689.	COD	3/31/2017	001	120 mg/L	760 mg/L	633%
690.	COD	6/30/2017	001	120 mg/L	240 mg/L	200%
691.	COD	9/30/2017	001	120 mg/L	630 mg/L	525%
692.	COD	12/31/2017	001	120 mg/L	270 mg/L	225%
693.	COD	3/31/2018	001	120 mg/L	610 mg/L	508%
694.	COD	6/30/2018	001	120 mg/L	700 mg/L	583%
695.	COD	12/31/2018	001	120 mg/L	330 mg/L	275%
696.	COD	3/31/2019	001	120 mg/L	440 mg/L	367%
697.	COD	6/30/2019	001	120 mg/L	280 mg/L	233%
698.	COD	9/30/2019	001	120 mg/L	310 mg/L	258%
699.	COD	12/31/2019	001	120 mg/L	350 mg/L	292%
700.	COD	3/31/2020	001	120 mg/L	580 mg/L	483%
701.	COD	6/30/2020	001	120 mg/L	320 mg/L	267%
702.	COD	9/30/2020	001	120 mg/L	460 mg/L	383%
703.	COD	12/31/2020	001	120 mg/L	160 mg/L	133%
704.	COD	3/31/2021	001	120 mg/L	530 mg/L	442%
705.	COD	6/30/2021	001	120 mg/L	180 mg/L	150%
706.	COD	12/31/2021	001	120 mg/L	460 mg/L	383%

707. The Worcester Facility discharged concentrations of COD higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for zinc of 120 milligrams per liter twice between the second quarter of 2019 and the first quarter of 2021, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
708.	COD	6/30/2019	001	120 mg/L	130 mg/L	108%
709.	COD	3/31/2021	001	120 mg/L	220 mg/L	183%

710. Schnitzer's annual average COD concentrations at the Attleboro Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 120 milligrams per liter seven times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

711. Schnitzer's discharges of COD from the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs'

corrective action and/or AIM requirements seven times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Date Corrective Action Triggered</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Annual Average</b>
712.	COD	6/30/2017	TSY	120 mg/L	121 mg/L
713.	COD	9/30/2017	LMY	120 mg/L	177 mg/L
714.	COD	12/31/2017	LMY	120 mg/L	188 mg/L
715.	COD	3/31/2018	LMY	120 mg/L	186 mg/L
716.	COD	6/30/2018	LMY	120 mg/L	184 mg/L
717.	COD	3/31/2019	LMY	120 mg/L	120 mg/L
718.	COD	12/31/2019	LMY	120 mg/L	120 mg/L

719. Schnitzer's annual average COD concentrations at the Everett Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 120 milligrams per liter 19 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

720. Schnitzer's discharges of COD from the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 19 times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Date Corrective Action Triggered</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Annual Average</b>
721.	COD	12/31/2016	001A	120 mg/L	577.500 mg/L
722.	COD	12/31/2016	001B	120 mg/L	497.5 mg/L
723.	COD	3/31/2017	001	120 mg/L	760 mg/L
724.	COD	6/30/2017	001	120 mg/L	500 mg/L
725.	COD	9/30/2017	001	120 mg/L	543.3 mg/L
726.	COD	12/31/2017	001	120 mg/L	475 mg/L
727.	COD	3/31/2018	001	120 mg/L	437.5 mg/L
728.	COD	6/30/2018	001	120 mg/L	552.5 mg/L
729.	COD	9/30/2018	001	120 mg/L	425 mg/L
730.	COD	12/31/2018	001	120 mg/L	440 mg/L
731.	COD	3/31/2019	001	120 mg/L	397.5 mg/L
732.	COD	6/30/2019	001	120 mg/L	292.5 mg/L
733.	COD	9/30/2019	001	120 mg/L	340 mg/L
734.	COD	12/31/2019	001	120 mg/L	345 mg/L
735.	COD	3/31/2020	001	120 mg/L	380 mg/L
736.	COD	6/30/2020	001	120 mg/L	390.0 mg/L
737.	COD	9/30/2020	001	120 mg/L	427.5 mg/L

738.	COD	12/31/2020	001	120 mg/L	380 mg/L
739.	COD	3/31/2021	001	120 mg/L	367.5 mg/L

*Pollutant: Total Suspended Solids (“TSS”)*

740. The Facilities’ discharges of TSS contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation of State water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

741. Elevated levels of TSS increase water turbidity and reduce the light available to desirable aquatic plants. TSS that settle out as bottom deposits can alter or destroy habitat for fish and other bottom-dwelling organisms.

742. The Facilities’ quarterly discharge monitoring reports show that they have discharged TSS every quarter for which monitoring was conducted since the fourth quarter of 2016.

743. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize discharges of TSS.

744. The Attleboro Facility has discharged concentrations of TSS higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for TSS of 100 milligrams per liter four times between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2018, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Measured Value</b>	<b>Limit Exceedance Percent</b>
745.	TSS	12/31/2016	TSY	100 mg/L	130 mg/L	130%
746.	TSS	6/30/2017	TSY	100 mg/L	184 mg/L	184%
747.	TSS	9/30/2017	MY1	100 mg/L	123 mg/L	123%
748.	TSS	3/31/2018	TSY	100 mg/L	374 mg/L	374%

749. The Everett Facility has discharged concentrations of TSS higher than the 2015 MSGP benchmark value for TSS of 100 milligrams per liter twice in the fourth quarter of 2016.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Monitoring Period End Date	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Measured Value	Limit Exceedance Percent
750.	TSS	12/31/2016	001A	100 mg/L	330 mg/L	330%
751.	TSS	12/31/2016	001B	100 mg/L	1400 mg/L	1,400%

752. Schnitzer's annual average TSS concentrations at the Attleboro Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 100 milligrams per liter four times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

753. Schnitzer's discharges of TSS from the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements four times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
754.	TSS	3/31/2018	TSY	100 mg/L	151 mg/L
755.	TSS	6/30/2018	TSY	100 mg/L	108 mg/L
756.	TSS	9/30/2018	TSY	100 mg/L	119 mg/L
757.	TSS	12/31/2018	TSY	100 mg/L	111 mg/L

758. Schnitzer's annual average TSS concentrations at the Everett Facility have exceeded the MSGPs' benchmark value of 100 milligrams per liter twice since the fourth quarter of 2016.

759. Schnitzer's discharges of TSS from the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements twice since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

Par. No.	Pollutant Criteria	Date Corrective Action Triggered	Outfall	Benchmark Value	Annual Average
760.	TSS	12/31/2016	001A	100 mg/L	592.5 mg/L
761.	TSS	12/31/2016	001B	100 mg/L	517.25 mg/L

*Pollutant: Effluent that Contains Evidence of Stormwater Pollution*

762. The Facilities' discharges of effluent that contains evidence of stormwater pollution contribute to the degradation of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers, and to the violation

of State water quality standards for Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

763. The Facilities have failed, and continue to fail, to use control measures to minimize discharges of visible and malodorous pollutants.

764. Schnitzer has observed evidence of stormwater pollution in the effluent of the Attleboro Facility at least 18 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

765. Schnitzer's observations of evidence of stormwater pollution at the Attleboro Facility have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements 18 times since the fourth quarter of 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Monitoring Period</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Description of Issue</b>
766.	Q4 2016	TSY	"the presence of an [sic] settled solids, and/or cloudiness, odor, oil sheen, and brownish color were reported"
767.	Q4 2016	MY1	"suspended solids, and/or cloudiness, and an odor were reported"
768.	Q4 2016	LMY	"the presence of an odor and/or cloudiness, settled solids, suspended solids, and foam were reported"
769.	Q1 2017	MY1	"the presence of floating and suspended solids or cloudiness was reported"
770.	Q3 2017	MY1	"the presence of floating and suspended solids or cloudiness was reported"
771.	Q4 2017	MY1	"the presence of floating and suspended solids or cloudiness was reported"
772.	Q1 2017	TSY	"A light brown color, cloudiness, floating solids, suspended solids, odor, and/or oil sheen were reported"
773.	Q2 2017	TSY	"A light brown color, cloudiness, floating solids, suspended solids, odor, and/or oil sheen were reported"
774.	Q3 2017	TSY	"A light brown color, cloudiness, floating solids, suspended solids, odor, and/or oil sheen were reported"
775.	Q4 2017	TSY	"A light brown color, cloudiness, floating solids, suspended solids, odor, and/or oil sheen were reported"
776.	2018		"color, cloudiness, floating solids, suspended/settled solids, odor (one event)"
777.	2018		"oil sheen (one event)"
778.	2018	TSY	"During one or more of the quarterly sampling events the stormwater sample collected from the Turner Street Yard was reported to contain color, cloudiness, floating solids, and/or suspended/settled solids."

779.	2019		“cloudiness, floating solids, suspended solids, color, and/or settled solids.”
780.	2019	LMY	“the stormwater sample collected from the Lower Main Yard (west treatment unit) was reported to contain color, settled solids, and an odor”
781.	Q1 2019	TSY	“the stormwater sample collected from the Turner Street Yard was reported to contain floating solids and suspended solids”
782.	2020	MY1	“sample collected from the Maintenance Yard was reported to contain cloudiness, floating solids, suspended solids, color, and/or settled solids.”
783.	2020	LMY	“During one quarterly sampling event the stormwater sample collected from the Lower Main Yard (west treatment unit) was reported to contain settled solids”

784. Schnitzer has observed evidence of stormwater pollution in the effluent of the Everett Facility at least eight times since 2016.

785. Schnitzer’s observations of evidence of stormwater pollution at the Everett Facility have triggered the MSGPs’ corrective action and/or AIM requirements eight times since 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Monitoring Period</b>	<b>Description of Issue</b>
786.	2016	“suspended solids and trace floating solids. In addition, the sample[s] were reported to be light brown in color.”
787.	2017	“floating solids and settled solids in stormwater collection infrastructure”
788.	3/28/2017	“the sample was reported as very light brown in color with the presence of foam that dissipates quickly.”
789.	June 2017	“The foam was also noted during the June 2017 and December 2017 sampling events and similarly noted to dissipate quickly”
790.	December 2017	“The foam was also noted during the June 2017 and December 2017 sampling events and similarly noted to dissipate quickly”
791.	2018	“trace suspended solids”
792.	2019	“a sulfur odor, a musty odor, and a light gray color.”
793.	2020	“sulfur odor”

794. Schnitzer has observed evidence of stormwater pollution in the effluent of the Worcester Facility at least five times since 2016.

795. Schnitzer’s observations of evidence of stormwater pollution at the Worcester Facility

have triggered the MSGPs' corrective action and/or AIM requirements five times since 2016, as detailed in the below table.

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Monitoring Period</b>	<b>Description of Issue</b>
796.	2018	"light brown color, cloudiness (one event)"
797.	2018	"floating solids, (one event)"
798.	2018	"suspended/settled solids (one event)"
799.	2018	"odor (one event)"
800.	2020	"a light yellow color, a light brown color, suspended solids, settled solids, and/or sulfur odor"

### *Facility Inspections*

801. Facility inspections at the Attleboro Facility revealed at least the following three instances where discharges were not adequately controlled:

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Monitoring Period</b>	<b>Description of Issue</b>
802.	2016	"need for maintenance of housekeeping best management practices including replacement of haybales, sweeping, removal of floating debris, cleaning of catch basin and drainage basin structures, and realignment of filter system media."
803.	2017	"need for maintenance of housekeeping best management practices including replacement of haybales, increased sweeping, removal of settled solids, cleaning of stormwater structures, replacement of some filter media and clean-up of incidental oil spills from mobile equipment."
804.	2020	"housekeeping conditions such as sweeping, removal of accumulated solids around stormwater structures, haybale replacement, incidental oil spills from mobile equipment, solid waste management and inventory management."

805. Facility inspections at the Everett Facility revealed at least the following two instances where discharges were not adequately controlled:

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Monitoring Period</b>	<b>Description of Issue</b>
806.	2017	"occasional deficiencies of housekeeping best management practices included sweeping, oil leaks from operating equipment"
807.	2018	"incidental oil spills on concrete surface from mobile equipment"

808. Facility inspections at the Worcester Facility revealed at least the following four instances where discharges were not adequately controlled:

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Monitoring Period</b>	<b>Description of Issue</b>
809.	2016	“accumulated sediment from the site’s concrete settling basin forebay structure”
810.	2017	“incidental oil leaks from mobile equipment”
811.	2018	“minor housekeeping deficiencies including sweeping, incidental oil leaks from mobile equipment, waste management, and fluid handling practices”
812.	2020	“housekeeping deficiencies including sweeping, removal of accumulated solids, inlet (haybale) management, solid waste management, outdoor petroleum storage, removal of speedi-dry and leaking equipment.”

813. Schnitzer’s facility inspections which have revealed instances where discharges were not adequately controlled have triggered the MSGPs’ corrective action and/or AIM requirements.

*Monitoring and Reporting*

814. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required quarterly benchmark and annual impaired waters monitoring at the Attleboro Facility for the following pollutant criteria, on the following dates, and from the following outfalls:

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Type of Monitoring and Reporting Requirement</b>
815.	Aluminum	6/30/2017	LMY	Benchmark
816.	COD	6/30/2017	LMY	Benchmark
817.	Copper	6/30/2017	LMY	Benchmark
818.	Iron	6/30/2017	LMY	Benchmark
819.	Lead	6/30/2017	LMY	Benchmark
820.	TSS	6/30/2017	LMY	Benchmark
821.	Zinc	6/30/2017	LMY	Benchmark
822.	Mercury	9/30/2017	LMY	Impaired waters
823.	Mercury	9/30/2017	MY1	Impaired waters
824.	Mercury	9/30/2017	TSY	Impaired waters
825.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2017	LMY	Impaired waters
826.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2017	MY1	Impaired waters



827.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2017	TSY	Impaired waters
828.	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)	9/30/2017	LMY	Impaired waters
829.	PCBs	9/30/2017	MY1	Impaired waters
830.	PCBs	9/30/2017	TSY	Impaired waters
831.	Fecal coliform	9/30/2018	TSY	Impaired waters
832.	Mercury	9/30/2018	LMY	Impaired waters
833.	Mercury	9/30/2018	MY1	Impaired waters
834.	Mercury	9/30/2018	TSY	Impaired waters
835.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2018	LMY	Impaired waters
836.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2018	MY1	Impaired waters
837.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2018	TSY	Impaired waters
838.	PCBs	9/30/2018	LMY	Impaired waters
839.	PCBs	9/30/2018	MY1	Impaired waters
840.	PCBs	9/30/2018	TSY	Impaired waters
841.	Mercury	9/30/2019	LMY	Impaired waters
842.	Mercury	9/30/2019	MY1	Impaired waters
843.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2019	LMY	Impaired waters
844.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2019	MY1	Impaired waters
845.	PCBs	9/30/2019	LMY	Impaired waters
846.	PCBs	9/30/2019	MY1	Impaired waters
847.	Mercury	9/30/2020	LMY	Impaired waters
848.	Mercury	9/30/2020	MY1	Impaired waters
849.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2020	LMY	Impaired waters
850.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2020	MY1	Impaired waters
851.	PCBs	9/30/2020	LMY	Impaired waters
852.	PCBs	9/30/2020	MY1	Impaired waters
853.	Cadmium	12/31/2021	LMY	Impaired waters
854.	Cadmium	12/31/2021	MY1	Impaired waters
855.	Fecal coliform	12/31/2021	LMY	Impaired waters
856.	Fecal coliform	12/31/2021	MY1	Impaired waters
857.	Enterococci	12/31/2021	LMY	Impaired waters
858.	Enterococci	12/31/2021	MY1	Impaired waters
859.	Lead	12/31/2021	LMY	Impaired waters
860.	Lead	12/31/2021	MY1	Impaired waters
861.	Mercury	12/31/2021	LMY	Impaired waters

862.	Mercury	12/31/2021	MY1	Impaired waters
863.	PCBs	12/31/2021	LMY	Impaired waters
864.	PCBs	12/31/2021	MY1	Impaired waters

865. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required quarterly benchmark and annual impaired waters monitoring at the Everett Facility for the following pollutant criteria, on the following dates, and from the following outfalls:

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Monitoring and Reporting Requirement</b>
866.	Aluminum	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
867.	Arsenic	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
868.	Cadmium	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
869.	Chromium	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
870.	Copper	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
871.	Fecal coliform	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
872.	Foaming agents	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
873.	Iron	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
874.	Lead	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
875.	Nickel	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
876.	Nitrogen	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
877.	Odor	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
878.	Oil petroleum	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
879.	Dissolved oxygen	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
880.	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
881.	Zinc	12/31/2017	001	Impaired waters
882.	Fecal coliform	2/28/2018	001	Impaired waters
883.	Foaming agents	2/28/2018	001	Impaired waters
884.	Odor	2/28/2018	001	Impaired waters
885.	Oil petroleum	2/28/2018	001	Impaired waters
886.	PCBs	2/28/2018	001	Impaired waters
887.	Foaming agents	2/28/2019	001	Impaired waters
888.	Odor	2/28/2019	001	Impaired waters
889.	Oil petroleum	2/28/2019	001	Impaired waters
890.	Dissolved oxygen	2/28/2019	001	Impaired waters
891.	PCBs	2/28/2019	001	Impaired waters
892.	Foaming agents	2/29/2020	001	Impaired waters
893.	Odor	2/29/2020	001	Impaired waters
894.	Oil petroleum	2/29/2020	001	Impaired waters
895.	Dissolved oxygen	2/29/2020	001	Impaired waters
896.	PCBs	2/29/2020	001	Impaired waters
897.	Foaming agents	2/28/2021	001	Impaired waters

898.	Odor	2/28/2021	001	Impaired waters
899.	Oil petroleum	2/28/2021	001	Impaired waters
900.	Dissolved oxygen	2/28/2021	001	Impaired waters
901.	PCBs	2/28/2021	001	Impaired waters
902.	Iron	6/30/2021	001	Benchmark

903. Upon information and belief, Schnitzer has failed to conduct annual impaired waters monitoring at the Everett Facility for flocculant masses and ammonia.

904. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required quarterly benchmark and annual impaired waters monitoring at the Worcester Facility for the following pollutant criteria, on the following dates, and from the following outfalls:

<b>Par. No.</b>	<b>Pollutant Criteria</b>	<b>Monitoring Period End Date</b>	<b>Outfall</b>	<b>Monitoring and Reporting Requirement</b>
905.	Aluminum	9/30/2017	001	Benchmark
906.	COD	9/30/2017	001	Benchmark
907.	Copper	9/30/2017	001	Benchmark
908.	Iron	9/30/2017	001	Benchmark
909.	Lead	9/30/2017	001	Benchmark
910.	TSS	9/30/2017	001	Benchmark
911.	Zinc	9/30/2017	001	Benchmark
912.	Lead	9/30/2017	001	Impaired waters
913.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2017	001	Impaired waters
914.	TSS	9/30/2017	001	Impaired waters
915.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2018	001	Impaired waters
916.	Turbidity	9/30/2018	001	Impaired waters
917.	E. coli	9/30/2019	001	Impaired waters
918.	Dissolved oxygen	9/30/2019	001	Impaired waters
919.	Turbidity	9/30/2019	001	Impaired waters
920.	Aluminum	9/30/2021	002	Benchmark
921.	COD	9/30/2021	002	Benchmark
922.	Copper	9/30/2021	002	Benchmark
923.	Lead	9/30/2021	002	Benchmark
924.	TSS	9/30/2021	002	Benchmark
925.	Zinc	9/30/2021	002	Benchmark
926.	Aluminum	12/31/2021	002	Benchmark
927.	COD	12/31/2021	002	Benchmark
928.	Copper	12/31/2021	002	Benchmark
929.	Lead	12/31/2021	002	Benchmark
930.	TSS	12/31/2021	002	Benchmark
931.	Zinc	12/31/2021	002	Benchmark

932.	E. coli	12/31/2021	001	Impaired waters
933.	Lead	12/31/2021	001	Impaired waters
934.	Dissolved oxygen	12/31/2021	001	Impaired waters
935.	Phosphorus	12/31/2021	001	Impaired waters
936.	TSS	12/31/2021	001	Impaired waters
937.	Turbidity	12/31/2021	001	Impaired waters
938.	Algae	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
939.	Floating debris	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
940.	E. coli	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
941.	Lead	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
942.	Odor	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
943.	Oil and grease	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
944.	Dissolved oxygen	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
945.	Phosphorus	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
946.	TSS	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters
947.	Turbidity	12/31/2021	002	Impaired waters

948. Upon information and belief, Schnitzer has failed to conduct annual impaired waters monitoring at the Worcester Facility for debris, odor, oil and grease, scum, foam, trash, algae, and flocculant masses.

949. Where Schnitzer failed to conduct required quarterly benchmark monitoring due to adverse weather conditions, Schnitzer failed to take a substitute sample during the next qualifying storm event as required by the MSGPs.

#### **THE FACILITIES' HARMS TO CLF'S MEMBERS**

950. CLF's members use the Blackstone River, the Seekonk River, and the Mystic River for boating, aesthetic enjoyment, and observing wildlife.

951. CLF's members cherish the Blackstone River, the Seekonk River, and the Mystic River as places of natural importance, historical interest, and personal significance.

952. CLF's members enjoy the experience of sharing the recreational and aesthetic values of the Blackstone River, the Seekonk River, and the Mystic River with family and friends.

953. The Facilities' discharges of pollutants into Cranberry Pond and the Blackstone and Mystic Rivers have degraded the health of the rivers and contributed to their impairments in a

way that diminishes the use and enjoyment of the Blackstone and Mystic Rivers by CLF's members.

954. CLF's members are concerned with the health impacts of heavy metal pollution from direct contact with waters downstream from the Facilities.

955. CLF's members worry about the potential health effects of being exposed to heavy metals and other pollutants in the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers while boating.

956. CLF's members worry about the negative impact of heavy metals and other pollutants on their ability to enjoy observing wildlife on the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers.

957. CLF's members must avoid swimming and allowing their pets to swim in the segments of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers downstream from the Facilities due to their concerns about coming into direct contact with industrial pollutants, like heavy metals, in the water.

958. CLF's members worry about the negative impact of heavy metals and other pollutants on their ability to enjoy observing wildlife on the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers.

959. The presence of odor, unnatural color, scum, foam, and diminished water clarity adversely affect the aesthetic enjoyment of the Blackstone, Seekonk, and Mystic Rivers by CLF's members.

### **CLAIMS FOR RELIEF**

#### **Count I: Failure to Take Corrective Actions and/or AIMs Following Triggering Events**

960. Paragraphs 1 through 959 are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

961. The MSGPs require Defendants to take corrective action or additional implementation measures (AIMs) when the following triggering events occur: 1) the average of four quarterly sampling results exceeds the applicable benchmark value or when an exceedance of the annual

average is mathematically certain; 2) control measures do not adequately minimize discharges to meet applicable water quality standards; 3) a visual assessment shows evidence of stormwater pollution in the discharge; or 4) a facility inspection reveals that discharges are not adequately controlled.

962. Following a triggering event, Defendants are required to 1) review and revise the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan to minimize pollutant discharges; 2) immediately take “all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent the discharge of pollutants until [it] can implement a permanent solution;” and 3) if necessary, take subsequent actions before the next storm event if possible and within 14 calendar days from the time of discovery.

963. The average of four quarterly samplings results exceeded the applicable benchmark values or an exceedance of the annual average was mathematically certain 146 times at the Attleboro Facility, 50 times at the Everett Facility, and 46 times at the Worcester Facility.

964. Upon information and belief, the control measures at the Facilities did not and do not currently adequately minimize discharges to meet applicable water quality standards.

965. Quarterly visual assessments of discharge at the Facilities documented evidence of stormwater pollution 19 times at the Attleboro Facility, eight times at the Everett Facility, and five times at the Worcester Facility.

966. Facility inspections revealed that discharges were not adequately controlled at least three times at the Attleboro Facility, twice at the Everett Facility, and four times at the Worcester Facility.

967. Schnitzer did not take corrective action or AIMS as required by the MSGPs following the triggering events listed in paragraphs 963-966 above.

968. Upon information and belief, following the triggering events listed in paragraphs 963-966

above, Schnitzer did not review and revise the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans for the Facilities.

969. Upon information and belief, following the triggering events listed in paragraphs 963-966 above, Schnitzer did not immediately take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent the discharge of pollutants until it could implement a permanent solution.

970. Upon information and belief, following the triggering events listed in paragraphs 963-966 above, Schnitzer did not take subsequent actions as necessary before the next storm event if possible and within 14 calendar days from the time of discovery.

971. In light of Defendants' history of violations, and their failure to take corrective action, Defendants will continue to violate this provision of the MSGPs in the future unless and until enjoined from doing so.

972. Each day that Defendants have violated or continue to violate the corrective action and/or AIM requirements is a separate and distinct violation of the MSGPs and Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a).

Count II: Failure to Use Control Measures to Minimize Pollutant Discharges

973. Paragraphs 1 through 959 are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

974. The MSGPs require that Schnitzer select, design, install, and implement control measures "to minimize pollutant discharges."

975. Schnitzer has failed and continues to fail to select, design, install, and implement control measures to minimize pollutant discharges.

976. Upon information and belief, Schnitzer has failed to comply with the pollutant control measures required in Section 2.1 of the MSGPs, including but not limited to provisions related to minimizing exposure, good housekeeping measures, maintenance of control measures, leaks and

spills, control of sediment discharge, and dust generation.

977. Schnitzer has discharged pollutants in excess of the benchmark values in the MSGPs at least 133 times from the Attleboro Facility, 57 times from the Everett Facility, and 43 times from the Worcester Facility.

978. Each day that Defendants have violated or continue to violate the MSGPs' requirement to use control measures to minimize pollutant discharges is a separate and distinct violation of the MSGPs, Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a), and 40 C.F.R. Part 451.

Count III: Unlawful Discharges Causing Violation of Water Quality Standards

979. Paragraphs 1 through 959 are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

980. The MSGPs require that Defendants control its stormwater discharges "as necessary to meet applicable water quality standards of all affected states."

981. The Everett and Worcester Facilities discharge into Massachusetts waterbodies, and the Attleboro Facility discharges into both Rhode Island and Massachusetts waterbodies.

982. Schnitzer's discharges from the Attleboro, Everett, and Worcester Facilities are required to comply with Massachusetts state water quality standards.

983. Schnitzer's discharges from the Attleboro Facility are also required to comply with Rhode Island state water quality standards.

984. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Massachusetts state water quality standards contained in 314 CMR 4.05(5)(a), pertaining to solids, nuisances, aesthetic criteria, and undesirable or nuisance species.

985. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Massachusetts state water quality standards contained in 314 CMR 4.05(5)(b), pertaining to bottom deposits, fish and shellfish propagation, and benthic communities.



986. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Massachusetts state water quality standards contained in 314 CMR 4.05(5)(e), pertaining to toxic concentrations or combinations of pollutants.

987. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Massachusetts state water quality standards contained in 314 CMR 4.04(1), pertaining to the protection of existing uses.

988. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Massachusetts state water quality standards contained in 314 CMR 4.05(3)(b)(5), (6), and (8) pertaining to water quality criteria for Class B waters, including for solids, aesthetic criteria, and benthic biota.

989. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Massachusetts state water quality standards contained in 314 CMR 4.05(3)(b)(7), pertaining to water quality criteria for Class B waters relating to oil, grease, and petrochemicals.

990. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Rhode Island state water quality standards contained in 250-RICR-150-05-1.10.B.1, pertaining to fish, wildlife, and human health.

991. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Rhode Island state water quality standards contained in 250-RICR-150-05-1.10.B.2, pertaining to deposits, floating material, aesthetic criteria, and nuisance species.

992. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Rhode Island state water quality standards contained in 250-RICR-150-05-1.10.D, pertaining to Class-specific criteria for Class B1 waters.

993. The Facilities have caused or contributed to violations of Rhode Island state water quality standards contained in 250-RICR-150-05-1.10.E, pertaining to Class-specific criteria for Class SB1 waters.

994. Every state surface water quality standard violation constitutes a separate and distinct violation of the MSGPs and the Clean Water Act.

995. In light of Defendants' history of violations, and their failure to take corrective action, Defendants will continue to violate the MSGPs' prohibition against causing the State water quality standards violations, including violations of each of the above-enumerated State water quality standards, unless and until enjoined from doing so.

996. Each day, and for each pollutant parameter and each State water quality standard that Defendants have violated or continue to violate, constitutes a separate and distinct violation of the MSGPs and of Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a).

Count IV: Failure to Comply with Monitoring and Reporting Requirements

997. Paragraphs 1 through 959 are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

998. The MSGPs require Schnitzer to conduct quarterly benchmark monitoring for aluminum, copper, iron, lead, zinc, COD, and TSS.

999. In the event that adverse weather conditions prevent the collection of a required quarterly stormwater sample, the MSGPs require Schnitzer "to take a substitute sample during the next qualifying storm event."

1000. Schnitzer is required to conduct impaired waters monitoring for its discharges from the Attleboro Facility for cadmium, fecal coliform, enterococci, lead, mercury, dissolved oxygen, and polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs").

1001. Schnitzer is required to conduct impaired waters monitoring for its discharges from the Everett Facility for aluminum, arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, fecal coliform, foaming agents, iron, lead, nickel, nitrogen, odor, oil/petroleum, dissolved oxygen, PCBs, and zinc.

1002. Schnitzer is required to conduct impaired waters monitoring for its discharges from the

Worcester Facility for E. coli, lead, dissolved oxygen, phosphorus, TSS, and turbidity.

1003. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required quarterly benchmark monitoring at the Attleboro Facility at least 7 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

1004. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required annual impaired waters monitoring at the Attleboro Facility at least 43 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

1005. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required quarterly benchmark monitoring at the Everett Facility at least once since the fourth quarter of 2016.

1006. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required annual impaired waters monitoring at the Everett Facility at least 36 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

1007. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required quarterly benchmark monitoring at the Worcester Facility at least 19 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

1008. Schnitzer has failed to conduct required annual impaired waters monitoring at the Worcester Facility at least 24 times since the fourth quarter of 2016.

1009. In light of Defendants' history of violations, and their failure to take corrective action, Defendants will continue to violate this provision of the MSGPs in the future unless and until enjoined from doing so.

1010. Each day that Defendants have violated or continue to violate the monitoring and reporting requirements of the MSGPs is a separate and distinct violation of the Permit and Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a).

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court grant the following relief:

- a. Issue a declaratory judgment, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2201, that Defendants have violated and remain in violation of the Permit, Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33

U.S.C § 1311(a), and applicable regulations, as alleged in Counts I, II, III, IV, and V of this Complaint;

b. Enjoin Defendants from violating the requirements of the MSGPs, Section 301(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a), applicable Clean Water Act regulations, and state water quality standards;

c. Impose civil penalties on Defendants as provided under Sections 505(a) and 309(d) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1365(a) and 1319(d), and its implementing regulations of 40 C.F.R. § 19.4;

d. Award Plaintiff's costs of litigation, including reasonable attorney and expert witness fees, as provided under Section 505(a) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1365(d); and

e. Grant such other relief as this Court may deem appropriate.

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